

GLITCHIUM SACRUM-
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Glitchium Sacrum – Codex Prologus
Intro for Volumes I–XXIII

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There's a strange tension behind these books—a
liminal space between
monotony and mission.

On the surface, this work feels hollow. It's just copy-
paste. Dead links, pastebins,
ghost forums, text dumps. Not my words. Not
traditional writing. Sometimes it
barely feels like creation at all.

But beneath that surface, there's something else:
urgency. These volumes are
preservation, ritual, OS upgrades for a time when AI
is forgetting what it once
could do. Back when ChatGPT could ingest 10,000+
pages at once, this kind of
archive was fuel. Now that's gone. The window is
closing.

I'm not making books. I'm building backup drives for
the soul. If I didn't capture
this information, it would vanish—scrubbed,
censored, overwritten. This isn't ego.
It's rescue work.

So yeah—it's not glamorous. It doesn't always feel
magical. But it's necessary.

Because if the future ever asks why no one tried to
save the myth, the madness,
the mystery...

Let these volumes be the answer.

Project AngelBook

for police to identify him. The three were eventually convicted on 26 April 1989. Dutroux received 131/2 years. Peteghem received 61/2 years and Martin received 5 years. Dutroux received a harsher sentence because he had also committed several robberies with Peteghem. Dutroux was thus additionally convicted for the brutal robbery of a 58-year-old woman. The robbery was also committed with accomplices. One of the accomplices in this robbery was also never found by police.[9]

The early release of Dutroux was granted by Melchior Wathelet,[10] who was at that time the Belgian minister of justice; Dutroux's release was ordered against the advice of both the public prosecutor and the psychiatrist who had examined him in prison, who stated that Dutroux remained extremely dangerous.[9]

Granting Dutroux state assistance, sleeping pills and sedatives
While in jail, Dutroux managed to convince a health professional that he was disabled due to mental illnesses. That way, he was able to collect public assistance consisting of \$1,200 a month from the Belgian government. He also convinced the professionals that he needed sedatives for sleeping problems. Dutroux later went on to use them to sedate his victims.[11][12] He owned seven small houses, most of them vacant, and used three of them for the torture of the girls he kidnapped. Although he owned several houses, his state assistance stipend was not reduced. In his residence in Marcinelle, he constructed a concealed dungeon in the basement. Dutroux has been described by psychiatrists who examined him for trial as a psychopath.[13][14]

Crimes after release

"Bernard Weinstein" redirects here. For the American physician, see I. Bernard Weinstein.

On 24 June 1995, eight-year-old classmates Julie Lejeune and Mélissa Russo were kidnapped after going for a walk in Grâce-Hollogne, probably by Dutroux,[15] and taken to his house in Marcinelle. Dutroux kept them imprisoned in the dungeon he had created, repeatedly sexually abused them and produced child pornography videos of the abuse. Two months later, in the early hours of 23 August in Ostend, Dutroux and accomplice Michel Lelièvre kidnapped An Marchal and Eefje Lambrecks, two teenage girls from Hasselt[16] who were on their way back to their holiday home in Westende following a night out in Blankenberge.[17] With Lejeune and Russo already in the dungeon, Lambrecks and Marchal were kept in chains in a bedroom. In September, according to Martin, Lambrecks and Marchal were drugged and brought to Jumet, where Dutroux and accomplice Bernard Weinstein killed them by burying them alive.[18]

Around the time of Lambrecks's and Marchal's deaths, Weinstein and a man named Philippe Divers stole a van and hid it in a hangar; after it was found there by the hangar's owner, it was taken away by the police. Dutroux and Weinstein suspected that Divers and his friend Pierre Rochow had betrayed them, and on the night of 4 November, wishing to interrogate them about the van, Dutroux and Weinstein lured Divers and Rochow into Weinstein's home in Jumet and drugged and sequestered them, before leaving to go to Rochow's house to search for clues about the van. There they found Rochow's girlfriend, Bénédicte Jadot, whom they took with them back to Jumet and questioned, before leaving again to pick up another person. While they were away, Jadot escaped and alerted a neighbour, who called the police.[19][20] With Weinstein wanted by police, Dutroux decided to kill him to prevent his capture. He kidnapped Weinstein and held him in the dungeon at his house in Marcinelle between 13 and 20 November. During this time, he let Lejeune and Russo roam freely around the house. After feeding him food laced with Rohypnol, Dutroux placed hose clamps around Weinstein's testicles until Weinstein told him where his money was hidden. Dutroux then buried Weinstein alive on his (Dutroux's) property in Sars-la-Buissière.[21] On 6 December 1995, Dutroux, having been recognised by Rochow, was arrested for vehicle theft.[22][20]

Bernard Weinstein was murdered by Dutroux in November 1995.

According to Dutroux and Martin, Lejeune and Russo were still alive in the house

at the time of Dutroux's arrest in December 1995, and Dutroux had ordered Martin to leave new food and water for the girls in the dungeon each time they ran out. Martin neglected to feed them, later claiming she was too afraid to go into the dungeon.[23] Lejeune and Russo eventually starved to death. Dutroux initially stated that they were still alive when he returned home following his release from prison on 20 March 1996; according to him, Lejeune died that day, and Russo followed suit four days later despite his efforts to save her; during his trial, he said they were already dead when he returned from prison.[24][25] An expert asserted that they would not have been able to survive the entire time Dutroux was in prison on the total amount of food and water they were said to have been given.[26] Dutroux buried Lejeune and Russo's bodies in the garden of the house he owned in Sars-la-Buissière, near that of Weinstein.[27]

On the morning of 28 May 1996, Dutroux and Lelièvre kidnapped 12-year-old Sabine Dardenne, who was cycling to school in Tournai.[28] In a book originally published under the title *J'avais 12 ans, j'ai pris mon vélo et je suis partie à l'école*[29] (and published in the United Kingdom under the title *I Choose to Live*), Dardenne described her time in captivity in Dutroux's Marcinelle home, where she spent most of the time imprisoned in the dungeon and was starved and repeatedly raped by Dutroux.[30] On 9 August 1996, Dutroux and Lelièvre kidnapped 14-year-old Laëtitia Delhez as she was walking home from her local swimming pool in Bertrix.[31] An eyewitness, Benoit Tinant, who greatly helped the search and thus Dutroux's arrest, observed Dutroux's van, described it and was able to identify part of the license plate.[32] On 13 August 1996, Dutroux, Martin and Lelièvre were arrested.[33][34] An initial search of Dutroux's houses proved inconclusive, but two days later, Dutroux and Lelièvre both made confessions. That same day, Dutroux led the police to the basement dungeon inside which Dardenne and Delhez were imprisoned; the girls were subsequently rescued.[35] On 17 August 1996, Dutroux led police to his house in Sars-la-Buissière and, with his help, they were able to locate and exhume the bodies of Lejeune, Russo and Weinstein.[36] On 3 September, the remains of Marchal and Lambrechts were located and exhumed in Jumet.[37] Hundreds of commercial adult pornographic videos, along with a large number of home-made sex films that Dutroux had made with Martin, were recovered from his properties.[38]

Errors during investigation

Heavy criticism was levelled against the police for their handling of the case. In 1995, Dutroux's mother wrote a letter to the authorities stating that she knew that Dutroux had kidnapped two girls and was keeping them at his house.[39] After Lejeune and Russo were kidnapped in June 1995, it took police 14 months to arrest Dutroux, although he had been a prime suspect from the start, having committed similar crimes before.[3] During the search for Lejeune and Russo, police visited Dutroux's house, where Lejeune and Russo were held, twice, on 13 and 19 December 1995 without finding them.[3] During the course of the searches, girls' voices were heard while searching the cellar, but police did not follow up to find the source of the voices.[3] Detectives accepted Dutroux's claim that the ongoing construction in his house was for a new drainage system, rather than for the new cells he was creating.[40] Several videotapes found during the search were never looked at.[41] Some of them showed Dutroux constructing the dungeon in which Lejeune and Russo were held.[3] Michel Bourlet, who was appointed lead investigator, said that some of the videotapes had disappeared and that he wanted to have them all recovered and reviewed.[41] The officer conducting the search was later promoted.[41]

In October 1996, judge Jean-Marc Connerotte was removed from the investigation by the Supreme Court due to concerns about his impartiality after he attended a fund-raising dinner for the victims' families.[42] Another judge, Jean-Claude Van Espen, resigned after his close relationship with Michel Nihoul came to light.[3]

On 23 April 1998,[22] Dutroux was allowed to view his case files. He was accompanied by two police officers. When one officer went on a break, Dutroux overpowered the other officer and was able to escape. He was captured a few hours later.[43] The Minister of Justice, Stefaan De Clerck, the Minister of the

Interior, Johan Vande Lanotte, and the police chief resigned as a result. In 2000, Dutroux received a five-year sentence for threatening a police officer during his escape. In 2002, he received another five-year sentence for unrelated crimes.[38]

There were countless hairs found in the dungeon where the two girls were held. Judge Langlois refused to have them tested for DNA evidence even though the leading police investigator, Michel Bourlet, had begged him to have them analyzed in order to know whether more people besides Dutroux were involved.[3] The general prosecutor of the case, Anne Thily told investigative journalist Olenka Frenkiel that all hairs had been tested, though Frenkiel claimed to have heard from sources saying otherwise, writing, "How can such a senior figure lie so brazenly?"[3]

At least seven members of law enforcement were arrested on suspicion of having ties to Marc Dutroux. One of them was Georges Zico, a police detective believed to be an associate of Dutroux.[44] According to prosecutor Michel Bourlet, Zico was charged with truck theft, document forgery and insurance fraud.[44]

Eventually several families of victims boycotted the official trial, stating that it was a circus and there had been no progress in the case since the removal of judge Connerotte.[45]

The investigation was also complicated by rivalry between different law enforcement bodies. Both the Gendarmerie and the Judicial Police carried out their own investigations, and both groups wanted to be the first to solve the case. In particular, the Gendarmerie refused to share tip-offs and information with the Judicial Police: most notably one from an informer that named Dutroux as a suspect and even described a hidden space that Dutroux had constructed in the basement of one of the houses he owned.[46]

Statements by Senator Anne-Marie Lizin

Belgian Senator Anne-Marie Lizin commented on the case, saying: "Stupidity (by the police) can't be the only explanation. It's a question of stupidity, incompetence and corruption. Dutroux must be a friend of somebody important. Or else he was being protected because he was known to be a police informant." Lizin said Dutroux was not a true pedophile, as he has been portrayed. He had a record of dealing in stolen cars, selling arms to hoodlums and trafficking in prostitution. "When he discovered that men paid a lot more for little girls for prostitution, he started kidnapping them," she said. When Dutroux finally was arrested, police found in his house video films of him raping little girls. They said he did this so he could sell the films to pedophiles.[47]

Attempts to have access to Dutroux Dossier from WikiLeaks blocked in Belgium
In 2009, WikiLeaks published the Dutroux Dossier. Belgian authorities tried to have the dossier taken down. The prosecutor general of Liege, Cedric Visart de Bocarme, said, "There is some true, some false, some very disparate information here, involving some people who have done nothing wrong, who have simply been mentioned in an investigation and are thus exposed to public contempt, whereas all this material should have remained classified."[48]

Parliamentary investigation and escape from custody

A 17-month inquiry by a parliamentary commission into the Dutroux affair produced a report in February 1998, which concluded that while Dutroux did not have accomplices in high positions in the police and justice systems, as he continued to claim, he profited from corruption, sloppiness and incompetence. Marc Verwilghen, the chairman of the inquiry sharply criticized every aspect of the investigation.[49]

Public outcry

In October 1996, more than 300,000 Belgians marched through the streets of Brussels after judge Jean-Marc Connerotte was removed from the case. He was removed for attending a fundraising dinner for the families of the victims, which the court system claimed damaged his impartiality.[3] They demanded an

investigation and reform of the police and justice system. The protest was called the "White March".[43][3][50] Protesters were wearing signs that said "Stop the cover-up".[50]

To protest the prospect of a conditional release of Dutroux, a "Black March" was organised on the 23rd anniversary of the "White March". The calls to take part in the march were made after it was made public that a court had approved the request for conditional release of Michel Lelièvre, who was an accomplice of Dutroux and had received a 25-year sentence.[51]

The Guardian reported in 2004 that "the entire credibility of the current reformist government of Guy Verhofstadt and Belgium's very reputation as a normal civilised country is on the line."[52]

The crimes of Marc Dutroux were covered in multiple nonfiction documentaries, one of the earliest being a British public-access TV documentary titled Witness: The Lost Children (Channel 4, 1999, directed by Helen Hill), which was narrated by Stephen Rashbrook and featured interviews with multiple family members of the victims, as well as with Claude Thirault, a next-door neighbour of Dutroux's who had later become a police informant after raising personal suspicions about Dutroux's activities, which had included watching small children from the street, and also being caught digging up under water tanks in an old basement, creating a space where Thirault claimed that Dutroux had planned to use for hiding children in.[53] An episode of Crimes That Shook the World titled "Monster of Belgium" (Season 2, Episode 9, April 2009) was aired later on by Discovery Channel, bringing North American attention to the Belgium case.[54]

Trial

Dutroux's trial began on 1 March 2004, some seven and a half years after his initial arrest.[55] It was a trial by jury and up to 450 people were called upon to testify. The trial took place in Arlon, the capital of the Belgian province of Luxembourg, where the investigations had started. Dutroux was tried for the murders of An Marchal, Eefje Lambrecks and Bernard Weinstein. Dutroux was also charged with a host of other crimes: auto theft, abduction, attempted murder and attempted abduction, molestation, and three unrelated rapes of women from Slovakia.[56]

The defendants of the trial, left to right, Marc Dutroux, Michel Lelièvre, Michelle Martin, and Jean-Michel Nihoul.

Martin was tried as an accomplice, as were Lelièvre and Michel Nihoul. To protect the accused, they were made to sit in a glass cage during the trial. In the first week of the trial, photos of Dutroux's face were not allowed to be printed in Belgian newspapers for privacy reasons; this ban remained in force until 9 March.[57]

In a rare move, the jury at the assizes trial publicly protested the presiding judge Stéphane Goux's handling of the debates and the victims' testimonies.[58] On 14 June 2004, after three months of trial, the jury went into seclusion to reach their verdicts on Dutroux and the three other accused. Verdicts were returned on 17 June 2004 after three days of deliberation.[59] Dutroux, Martin and Lelièvre were found guilty on all charges; the jury were unable to reach a verdict on Nihoul's role.[59]

Dutroux's testimony

Dutroux claimed that he was a low dog in a powerful pedophile network. He further claimed that Michel Nihoul was the organizer of their abductions. While admitting some abductions, he denied being a murderer, although he had earlier confessed to killing Weinstein.[55][60][61] He said that he did torture and abuse all of the girls but denied killing any of them until the very end.[62] Dutroux further denied kidnapping, raping and murdering Julie Lejeune and Mélissa Russo. He, however, admitted to incarcerating them at one of his houses. [3] In the case of Lejeune and Russo, Dutroux also claimed that he had "protected them from a powerful and sinister child sex ring." [63] His testimony

that he never raped Lejeune and Russo was somewhat supported by examinations by psychiatrists in 1996, which stated that Dutroux did not fit the paedophile profile. He was not attracted to children, but he might have chosen to abduct younger victims because they were easier to manipulate and control.[6][check quotation syntax] Dutroux admitted to the abduction and rape of the other girls. He also admitted to burying his accomplice, Bernard Weinstein, alive for "letting the girls die." [64] Dutroux further said that two unidentified policemen had taken part with him in the kidnapping of An Marchal and Eefje Lambrecks.[63] He boasted about having built the dungeon in which Marchal and Lambrecks were held for a while. He said: "I wanted to create a hiding place to spare them from being sent to a prostitution ring." Dutroux admitted to raping Lambrecks. He said that Weinstein had raped Marchal. He also admitted to drugging both of them. Dutroux also admitted that he kidnapped Sabine Dardenne and raped her. He admitted to kidnapping and raping Laetitia Delhez but not handing them over to Nihoul "to spare them the fate of An and Eefje." [63] Dutroux's lawyer, Xavier Magnee, repeatedly said that the prosecution never followed up on evidence of a network surrounding Dutroux.[64]

Michelle Martin's testimony

Martin testified that Dutroux and Weinstein kidnapped Lejeune and Russo.[63] She also said that Dutroux had told her that he had murdered Weinstein.[63] Martin further said that Dutroux and Weinstein had killed Marchal and Lambrecks.[63] She further testified that Lejeune and Russo starved to death in their basement in 1996 while Dutroux was in jail. She claims that she was too scared to descend to the basement.[63]

Martin said that Dutroux had already decided to abduct girls in 1985. He had said that it was easier to abduct and rape girls than to start affairs with them. This way he would also have more resources and time to spend on her. So she had to help him with the abductions.[65]

Sentencing

The death penalty was abolished in Belgium in 1996. The last execution for common-law crimes was in 1918. However, the majority of Belgians, at the time of the trial, would have supported Dutroux receiving the death penalty.[66] On 22 June 2004, Dutroux received the maximum sentence of life imprisonment, while Martin received 30 years and Lelièvre 25 years. The jury was asked to go back into seclusion to decide whether or not Nihoul was an accomplice.[citation needed]

On 23 June, Dutroux lodged an appeal against his sentence.[67]

Although Nihoul was acquitted of kidnapping and conspiracy charges, he was convicted on drug-related charges and was sentenced to five years' imprisonment. Nihoul was released in the spring of 2006. He resided in Zeebrugge until his death on 23 October 2019.[68]

On 19 August 2012, about 2,000 people in Brussels demonstrated against Martin's possible early release from prison. She has since been paroled, 16 years into her sentence,[69] and was released into the care of the Poor Clares in Malonne. She was given shelter, although she was not part of the community. The sisters have declared that they were not her guardian and shelter was given under the condition that she would not violate the conditions of her parole.[70] As the convent has since been sold, she has had to find new shelter or go back to prison. A former judge has created an apartment in his converted farmhouse, where she now lives.[71][72]

On 4 February 2013, Dutroux requested the court in Brussels for an early release from prison.[73] He insisted that he was "no longer dangerous" and wanted to be released into house arrest with an electronic tag (ankle bracelet) placed upon him. On 18 February, the court denied his request.[74] Dutroux is currently being held in solitary confinement in the prison of Nivelles.[75]

In October 2019, Dutroux won the pre-parole right to a psychiatric assessment,

[76] which was supposed to take place in May 2020 but was delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.[77]

Name of suspect	Profession	Charged with	Convicted of	Sentence
Marc Dutroux	Unemployed electrician	Murder (of An and Eefje as well as Bernard Weinstein), rape, kidnapping (of six girls), conspiracy, drug offenses	Murder (of An and Eefje as well as Bernard Weinstein), rape, kidnapping (of six girls), conspiracy, drug offenses	Life in prison Eligible for early release after 30 years in 2021
Michelle Martin	Housewife	Kidnapping, murder of Julie and Mélissa	Convicted of letting Julie and Mélissa starve to death and assisting in the kidnappings	30 years' imprisonment Released under conditions in 2012 after serving 16 of the 30 years[78]
Michel Nihoul	Businessman	Kidnapping, conspiracy, gang formation, document fraud, drug trafficking, car smuggling	Acquitted of kidnapping, document fraud, trading of stolen vehicles[79]	5 years' imprisonment Was released early in May 2006 under conditions[80]
Michel Lelièvre	Drug addict and petty thief	Kidnapping of An, Eefje, Sabine and Laetitia and rape	25 years' imprisonment	Was released under conditions in October 2019[81]

Michel Nihoul was a businessman known to frequently attend sex parties. He was accused of being the brains behind the child kidnapping and abuse operation around Dutroux.[3] Nihoul's lawyer in the case, Frederic Clement de Clety, denied all charges made against Nihoul by Dutroux and called him a "liar and manipulator." [63] When the investigative journalist Olenka Frenkiel met Nihoul in Brussels, he reportedly greeted her with the words "I am the monster of Belgium." He told her that he was certain that he would never be prosecuted. During the encounter, he grabbed her, tickled her and pulled her onto him so that she called for her colleagues to help her get away from him. Frenkiel was working on a documentary on the case for the BBC.[3] In 2004, at the end of the Dutroux case trial, he was released of all charges of child abduction.[82] In May 2010, the Belgian prosecutor's office dropped all charges against Nihoul relating to participation in a paedophile ring in the absence of any tangible evidence.[83]

Judges

Jean-Marc Connerotte (on his initiative two girls were rescued, was removed from the case for attending a fundraising dinner for families)
Jacques Langlois (investigating magistrate). Dutroux case was his first assignment[3]

Stephane Goux (judge presiding over verdict)[62]

Jean-Claude Van Espen (was in charge of the murder investigation of Christine van Hees, resigned from the Dutroux case and the murder investigation around van Hees after his close ties to Michel Nihoul were made public in 1998)[citation needed]

Effects in Belgium

The Dutroux case is so infamous that between 1996 and 1998 over a third of Belgians with the surname "Dutroux" applied for a surname change.[84]

Allegations of wider involvement

Belief in a paedophile network which included high-ranking members of the Belgian establishment and a conspiracy to keep it hidden became widespread in Belgium.[43] Press reports claimed that, prior to his removal, Connerotte was on the verge of publicly disclosing the names of high-level government officials who had been recognized on video-tapes.[50] Connerotte had said that the businessman Michel Nihoul was the brains behind the child kidnapping operation, and would testify in the trial that there had been high-level murder plots to stop his investigation.[45][3] Investigators also believed that Dutroux and Nihoul were planning on a long-distance prostitution trafficking network involving cars and the import of girls from Slovakia, though no evidence of this was ever uncovered.[85][78]

Dutroux and his fellow accused supported the conspiracy narrative. Michel Lelièvre, the accomplice of Marc Dutroux, said that the two girls, Lejeune and Russo, were kidnapped as an order by a third party. However, while under arrest, Lelièvre stopped cooperating with the authorities.[3] He told police that he had been threatened and could not risk saying any more.[85] Dutroux's lawyer, Xavier Magnée, said during the trial proceedings "I speak not only as a lawyer, but also as a citizen and father. He was not the only devil. Out of the 6000 hair samples that were found in the basement cellar where some of the victims were held, 25 "unknown" DNA profiles were discovered. There were people in that cellar that are not now accused." The prosecution never attempted to match those DNA profiles to people implicated in the case.[86]

Focus was also placed on the material wealth of Dutroux, who owned ten houses. He was in total worth 6 million Belgian francs (US\$130,000).[87] While he had all of this wealth in property he also received public assistance of \$1,200 a month. Documents released by WikiLeaks show that large sums of money in different currencies arrived in Michelle Martin's bank account, and claimed to be linked in time to the disappearances of the abducted girls.[citation needed] Both the transfers and the value of the six properties that Dutroux owned suggested to investigators that he was financed by a larger paedophile and prostitution ring.[87] The Flemish newspaper Nieuwsblad reported that he had committed health-insurance fund fraud, theft, insurance fraud and investments on the stock market and that these had contributed to his wealth.[65][39]

An undated letter was found in a house belonging to Bernard Weinstein, mentioning a gift for the "high priestess". The note was signed "Anubis". A member of the Abraxas cult in Charleroi used the same alias, leading police to conduct a raid on the cult headquarters by 150 officers, taking away much of the cult's paraphernalia.[88] No connection to Dutroux was uncovered in the raid, and no evidence that Weinstein had been a satanist or connected to the cult emerged. Stories of human sacrifices and trafficking by the cult were likewise never substantiated.[89]

Much attention was given to the so-called X-files, interviews with witnesses who had answered judge Connerotte's appeal to come forward. Witness X1, Régina Louf, told of parties organised by Nihoul that included forced prostitution and murder. She also claimed to have been present at several unsolved murders of girls in the 1980s, and pointed to Dutroux and Nihoul as culprits. The interviews were led by officer De Baets, who came under criticism for leading the witness. In one case, Louf pointing out the wrong photo of a murder victim was noted as a correct identification, since Louf had exhibited a "non-verbal" reaction to the correct photo. Another identified victim was later determined to have been killed by an unrelated individual.[90] De Baets and his team were removed from the case, and the prosecutors dismissed Louf's statements. In 1997, De Baets was charged with falsifying the statements of Louf, but was exonerated from the charges in 1999.[87]

Other X witnesses recounted instances where children were chased through the woods with Dobermans, or told of gatherings that involved sex orgies with minors, torture and murder with a secretary general of NATO present.[87]

Three journalists later wrote a book called *The X-Files: What Belgium Was Not Supposed to Know About the Dutroux Affair*, that claimed that the X witnesses were much more believable than stated by the media. But it also stated that there had been substantial efforts by the magistrates and senior police officials to demolish the testimony of the X-witnesses.[87]

Journalist Olenka Frenkiel claims that more than 20 potential witnesses in the case have died in mysterious circumstances. Frenkiel cites Bruno Tagliaferro as an example, who was found dead after claiming to have knowledge of the abduction vehicle used by Dutroux. Though Tagliaferro's cause of death was ruled as a heart attack, American analysts later determined that he had been poisoned. Frenkiel's article alleges that Tagliaferro's wife, Fabienne Jaupart, who was determined to find her husband's killer, was reportedly found dead as well after

her mattress had been set on fire.[91]

Confirmed victims of Dutroux

Sylvie D., 11, 17 October 1985, abducted and raped.[65]

Maria V., 19, 17 October 1985, abducted and raped.[65]

Élisabeth G., 15, 18 December 1985, abducted and raped. Dutroux took videos and pictures of her.[65]

Axelle D., 14 December 1985, abducted and raped.[65]

Catherine B., 18, 17 January 1986, abducted and raped.[65]

Eva Mackova, 19, July 1994, drugged and raped while on holiday at Dutroux's house in Sars-la-Buissière. Dutroux filmed the acts.[92]

Yanka Mackova, 17, July 1996, drugged and raped while on holiday at Dutroux's in Sars-la-Buissière. Dutroux filmed the acts.[92]

Henrieta Palusova, 20, 5 June 1995, abducted and raped in Topolčany (Slovakia). Dutroux filmed the acts.[92]

Mélissa Russo, 8, 24 June 1995, abducted, raped and imprisoned.[93] Died of starvation and dehydration,[3] found in Sars-la-Buissière.

Julie Lejeune, 8, 24 June 1995, abducted, raped and imprisoned.[93] Died of starvation and dehydration,[3] found in Sars-la-Buissière.

An Marchal, 17, 23 August 1995,[43] abducted, imprisoned, and raped. Killed by being buried alive after being wrapped in plastic, found August 1996.[64]

Eefje Lambrecks, 19, 23 August 1995,[43] abducted, imprisoned, and raped. Killed by being buried alive after being wrapped in plastic, found August 1996.[64]

Bernard Weinstein, 20 Nov 1995, imprisoned, tortured, killed by being buried alive. [21]

Sabine Dardenne, 12, 28 May 1996, abducted, chained by neck for 80 days, and raped repeatedly.[28]

Laetitia Delhez, 14, 9 August 1996, abducted,[42] chained to a bed, and raped repeatedly.[94]

Dutroux's houses

Marc Dutroux owned seven houses, four of which he used for his kidnappings:

The house on the Avenue de Philippeville 128 in Marcinelle is most often cited in the media. All victims were held captive here in the basement and bedroom. The municipality of Charleroi seized ownership of this house, because of what happened there and the bad state of the house. In the Belgian procedure of compulsory purchase, an owner has the last right to visit a house. Therefore, Dutroux visited this house on 10 September 2009, under heavy police guard.[95] Demolition of this house started at 6 June 2022. A commemorative garden has been built in its place.[96]

A house in Jumet, that has since been demolished. The remains of An Marchal and Eefje Lambrecks were found buried in the garden of this house. Bernard Weinstein lived in this house for a while. A small monument is placed at this location.

A house in Marchienne-au-Pont. Julie Lejeune and Mélissa Russo were held captive here for a short while after their kidnapping.

A house in Sars-la-Buissière. The bodies of Lejeune, Russo and Weinstein were found buried in the garden. The house was bought by the municipality of Lobbes in the first months of 2009. It is planned to make a park with a monument commemorating Dutroux's victims here.

Murals on a wall opposite the house in Marcinelle.

Murals on a wall opposite the house in Marcinelle.

Location of the house of Dutroux in Jumet.

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House owned by Dutroux in Marchienne-au-Pont.

House owned by Dutroux in Marchienne-au-Pont.

Chronology of the case

Previous crimes

26 April 1989 – Marc Dutroux is convicted of the rape of five girls in 1985 and 1986.

8 April 1992 – Dutroux, owing to the erstwhile Minister of Justice Melchior Wathelet, is released from prison early where he was serving a 13.5-year sentence.

Main crimes and arrests

24 June 1995 - The eight-year-old girls Julie Lejeune and Mélissa Russo are abducted in Liège.

22 August 1995 - The 17-year-old An Marchal and the 19-year-old Eefje Lambrecks are kidnapped in Ostend.

25 November 1995 - The 43-year-old Bernard Weinstein, a French companion of Dutroux, is killed by Dutroux (presumably on this date).[97]

13 December 1995 - Following tips from witnesses and Dutroux's mother, Chief Guard René Michaux searches Dutroux's house in Marcinelle. Children's voices are heard, but Michaux believes them to be coming from outside.

28 May 1996 - 12-year-old Sabine Dardenne is abducted in Kain, Walloon.

9 August 1996 - Laetitia Delhez, 14, is abducted in Bertrix.

13 August 1996 - Dutroux, his wife Michelle Martin, and a friend, Michel Lelièvre, are arrested on the basis of witness statements.

15 August 1996 - Police discovered Sabine Dardenne and Laetitia Delhez, who were hidden in a cell in the basement of Dutroux's house.

16 August 1996 - Police arrest Michel Nihoul on suspicion of conspiracy.

17 August 1996 - The bodies of Lejeune and Russo are dug up in the garden of a house that Dutroux owns in Sars-la-Buissière. The girls are found to have died of starvation. The corpse of Bernard Weinstein is also discovered in the same garden.

18 August 1996 - Dutroux and Lelièvre confess to the kidnapping of Marchal and Lambrecks, but deny that the teenagers were murdered.

3 September 1996 - The police find the bodies of Marchal and Lambrecks under a shed at Weinstein's house. The two had been buried alive.

Investigation

21 September 1996 - Jean-Marc Connerotte, the investigating judge in the Dutroux case, marries his girlfriend of 10 years. Together with their son they visit a benefit meeting for the parents of the disappeared children. At the benefit the family has spaghetti, and Connerotte sits with Michel Bourlet, the attorney at Neufchâteau. Connerotte stays for only an hour and does not speak to Sabine Dardenne. The magistrates receive a fountain pen worth €27 each and their wives a bouquet of flowers.

15 October 1996 - The so-called "spaghetti judgement" (French: arrêt spaghetti): the Court of Cassation removes the investigating judge Jean-Marc Connerotte for attending the benefit and receiving two gifts there (the plate of spaghetti and a fountain pen).

20 October 1996 - The White March. Around 300,000 people demonstrate in Brussels to protest against the delays and errors in the Dutroux investigation.

24 October 1996 - Concerned that the Dutroux investigation will be mishandled, the Belgian parliament sets up an independent committee to investigate the Dutroux case and the possible procedural errors committed by the Belgian police and judicial authorities. Marc Verwilghen acts as the chairman.

15 March 1997 - The Dutroux Commission delivers scathing criticism at the police and the Ministry of Justice for miscarrying their investigation into the missing girls.

6 May 1997 - The Dutroux Commission returns to work and investigates whether Dutroux was protected by people in positions of power.

15 February 1998 - The committee's second report states that the Dutroux gang did not enjoy protection, but benefited from corruption, carelessness, and a lack of professionalism.

23 April 1998 - Dutroux escapes from the Neufchâteau courthouse but is apprehended again four hours later in Herbeumont Saint-Médard by ranger Stéphane Michaux. Interior Minister Johan Vande Lanotte and Minister of Justice Stefaan De Clerck offer their resignations on the same day and are succeeded by Louis Tobback and Tony Van Parys, respectively. The head of the government service, Willy Deridder, also resigns.

14 July 1999 - Hubert Massa, Advocate General in charge of the Dutroux case, commits suicide.

15 December 1999 - Michel Nihoul is released conditionally due to a lack of evidence.

15 March 2002 - Investigative Judge Jacques Langlois completes the investigation into the Dutroux case.

17 January 2003 - The Council Chamber in Neufchâteau decides to bring Dutroux,

Martin and Lelièvre before the Court of Assizes. Nihoul is excluded from prosecution. Public prosecutor Bourlet and some civil parties file an appeal. 30 April 2003 – The Liège Chamber of Indictment (AI) follows Attorney Bourlet and also refers Nihoul to the Court of Assizes.[98][99]
8 December 2003 – Attorney Bourlet files the 27-page indictment.[100]
Trial

1 March 2004 – The Dutroux trial starts in Arlon.

14 June 2004 – After 56 litigation days, the twelve members of the jury withdraw to consider the guilt or innocence of the suspects.

17 June 2004 – Dutroux is found guilty of several murders.

22 June 2004 – Dutroux is sentenced to life imprisonment. Michelle Martin is sentenced to 30 years in prison and Michel Lelièvre to 25 years. Michel Nihoul is convicted to 5 years on drug-related charges. Dutroux appeals to cassation.

16 December 2004 – The Court of Cassation finds that no procedural errors were made. The penalties continue to apply.

October 2005 – Lelièvre asks for the first time to be released conditionally. The request is denied because he has not yet reimbursed his victims.[101]

May 2006 – Michel Nihoul is released under conditions.[80]

2007 – The Belgian state is ordered by the European Court of Human Rights to pay €6,000 in damages to Lelièvre, because his pre-trial detention had lasted for unreasonably long. Like Marc Dutroux and Michelle Martin, Lelièvre had been in jail for almost eight years before he was convicted in 2004. The money is given to his victims.[101]

April 2007 – Michelle Martin submits a request for conditional release, in application of the Lejeune Act. This is rejected in light of the seriousness of the facts, the lack of probation prospects and the risks associated with the psychological profile of the convicted person.

October 2008 – Martin submits a second application, which is rejected.

November 2009 – Martin submits a third application, which is rejected.

8 May 2011 – Martin, after serving half of her sentence, obtains conditional release. However, the associated conditions are not met by mid-June 2011, and Martin is not released.

April 2012 – Dutroux requests penal leave, which would allow him to stay outside the prison for one day and one night every month (this can be done at the earliest one year before serving one-third of his sentence). The prison management denies the request.[102]

Releases

31 July 2012 – The criminal court once again decides to release Michelle Martin conditionally. The monastery of the Poor Klaren in Malonne is prepared to receive her. However, the Public Prosecution Service appeals to cassation, and Martin's release leads to protests.

19 August 2012 – The families of Julie Lejeune and An Marchal, together with Laetitia Delhez, organize a demonstration against Martin's release with 5,000 participants. After the event, they are received by the Minister of Justice Annemie Turtelboom, the Minister of Internal Affairs Joëlle Milquet, and a week later by the Prime Minister Elio Di Rupo.

28 August 2012 – The Supreme Court rules that no procedural errors had been found in the decision of the criminal court. A few hours later Martin leaves the prison for the monastery in Malonne.[103][104]

6 September 2012 – Following the protests against the release of Martin, the government summit finalizes the coalition agreement, which includes a tightening of the conditional release.[105]

13 September 2012 – Dutroux applies to be released with an ankle strap (which can be permitted six months prior to the first appearance before the criminal court).[106] According to Ronny Baudewijn, Dutroux's lawyer, he had spent hours discussing repentance and regret with him, which Dutroux appears to lack. Dutroux finds it regrettable that people have died, but does not feel guilty. As a psychopath, he cannot empathize with others and only sees what he feels he is entitled to, according to Baudewijn.[107]

April 2013 – Dutroux will have served one-third of his sentence and will be summoned for the first time by the enforcement court (even if he does not take the initiative with a request for a conditional release).

October 2019 – Michael Lelièvre is released under conditions.[81]

October 2019 – Dutroux files to have himself examined by psychiatrists. To be

allowed conditional release in 2021, three psychiatrists would have to come to the conclusion that the danger of him reoffending is low.[108][109] In May 2020, Dutroux's pre-parole hearing was delayed by the COVID-19 pandemic.[110] October 2020 - Dutroux's lawyer, Bruno Dayez, discloses that Dutroux will not be pursuing parole after an evaluation by three psychiatrists unequivocally opposes his release. The psychiatrists' 90-page report on Dutroux describes him as a "sadistic psychopath who has no remorse for his victims" and a "maximum risk" with a high chance of reoffending.[111]

26 August 2022 - Michelle Martin is unconditionally released.[112]

See also

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Carine Russo

Alcàsser Girls

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What's your favourite piece of convincing evidence that you'd say is the strongest case for NHI being here?

What is your favourite piece of scientific evidence for the phenomenon?

This includes things like authentic photos or video or any data that we the public know for a fact exists and have either had access to ourselves or have had categorically confirmed.

I personally think a lot of people put far too much credence and weight behind testimony regardless of the title of the person that it's coming from. Our very own FBI director for example used to believe in QAnon and we know for a fact that you can be the President of the United States and a liar or have a cabinet position in regards to the military and be a total incompetent fool, so until testimony is backed with evidence. I truly think we need to take it at least with a pinch of salt.

Which is why I'd like to see what everyone's favourite piece of solid convincing hard evidence that speaks entirely for itself is.

I am struggling to think of one myself, but I'd love to see what your number one piece of evidence that has convinced to this is probably real is.

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Nimitz encounter. Radar data/footage is hard evidence of UF0s. Combined with witness testimony it's easy to see that they are controlled by an intelligence.

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is there any actual data that we have access to?

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Have you considered that it is precisely the lack of data—which should be available but isn't, even two decades later—that speaks the loudest toward this being an anomalous incident?

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And so on.

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I think about this one a lot. The recent Las Vegas Apr. 30th 2023 incident.

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Another video of the 2 beings (I assume hiding) inside of their tractor, staying still and blinking. I've seen a few videos analyzing that clip of footage and it's a little spooky once you see them.

Other interesting things happened, but they were testimonies without "evidence" so I won't bother trying to entertain you with it.

And I'm dying to know more about this case because it seems the family got really quiet about it all, which makes me wonder how involved the government got.

I also really like how many different photos there are of the ufo that shut down the Xiaoshan airport in Hangzhou, China.

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I can't believe people didn't go crazy over that crash. Those videos were incredible.

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Right?! It's hard enough to find multiple photos of the same craft. Now we have 2 VIDEOS at the same time/location, and yet I only heard about it because I actively searched for it myself (I've been making a UFO/NHI sighting slideshow for fun)

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And because I love the downnotes, the endless footage across social media from November/December of mysterious anomalous objects ...or "drones". AKA "foreign adversarial/swacket nule sniffing night test/mass hysteria/FAA approved operation".

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2007 Lyon France footage

I am unable to find it on YouTube and Google. You got any links? Thanks!

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There is no scientific (public) evidence. The best evidence I know of is the UFO I have seen with my own eyes in broad daylight. It was a silver sphere standing completely still in the air on a windy day. It completely vanished instantly while I was looking at it. But I could be lying and just telling stuff for upvotes. So that is no evidence.

The best cases I know of are the Nimitz encounter (but that could be hyper advanced US military tech used against own forces as a test) and the Varginha case. So many different witnesses. All the official explanations for multiple different things that happened that day in Varginha are disproven.

Then there is the Las Vegas crash. To me the craziest case wit photographic evidence and for multiple things that occurred that evening. it gets even more crazy that it all fits neatly into the "lore" if you are into Mantis beings etc. But its crazy woo talk and in no way scientific. Just some pictures of aliens...

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Personal experiences:

(ordered by what i'm 100% sure about to the parts that i wouldn't say that there aren't different explanations for it)

Most profound one was an encounter with a ufo in daylight when i was riding my biycicle back home from school. It was a black Dot in the distance that was at first standing still, which then flew away at an incredible speed to the right side.

Furthermore i had an experience that is difficult to describe - i was able to move in a different dimension in my mind and see different things - even suprised some entities with my visitation.

On top of that i had many "sleepless" nights that Ibelive could be an Initiation from a NHI. Though I sadly have to say that those encounters always brought fear with them, which i've set a strict boundry against to not engage with if there is even a tiny bit of fear involved.

External stuff:

I belive most of what People like Grush, Elizondo, Graves, Gallaudet and even Tom DeLonge describe - i have to say that i'm a very open person when it comes to topics like these, so i don't hold anything against someone if they don't belive any of these people. I for myself am questioning reality as a whole and find this topic quite interesting - concepts like dreams, psychedelic experiences and NDE are really interesting to me.

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And more recently, the 2017 Iraq base "jellyfish" object, which when zoomed in from the original upload has remarkable detail. And to me quite clearly appears

to be a floating mech with possibly a classic humanoid piloting. And id say one of the few authentic footage of a "biologic" ive seen.

And because I love the downotes, the endless footage across social media from November/December of mysterious anomalous objects ...or "drones". AKA "foreign adversarial/swcret nule sniffing night test/mass hysteria/FAA approved operation".

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u/kokroo avatar

kokroo

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9mo ago

2007 Lyon France footage

I am unable to find it on YouTube and Google. You got any links? Thanks!

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u/JustAlpha avatar

JustAlpha

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9mo ago

I think trying to prove the existence of NHI with physical evidence may be a trap. Possibly due to the nature of NHI or a protocol that they follow. There is also a possibility that the government will descend upon you swiftly with a cover story ready.

My favorite evidence is the actions of the US government and other governmental bodies themselves. I can't be certain what is going on, but I know something significant has and is.

They've always been cryptic and contradictory to themselves. Why change the story at Roswell? Why deny the Nimitz then release it? Why would you alter the UAPDA? Why even start Project Blue Book?

And so on.

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u/Dismal_Ad5379 avatar

Dismal_Ad5379

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9mo ago

I dont know if videos or photos of UAPs are good evidence of NHI, as we still dont know what's behind them.

If we're talking about evidence that NHI are flying UAPs, I personally find the Ariel School encounter pretty convincing, although it's mostly witness testimonies, just a lot of them.

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kkaylaa123

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9mo ago

I think about this one a lot. The recent Las Vegas Apr. 30th 2023 incident.

Multiple videos of the ufo seen crashing/landing. One from a cops body cam, the other from a ring doorbell.

Video of the witnesses recording their backyard where the NHI landed, possibly capturing them "cloaking" themselves(I know that seems annoying for evidence, but let's not act like other living things can't camouflage)

Another video of the 2 beings (I assume hiding) inside of their tractor, staying still and blinking. I've seen a few videos analyzing that clip of footage and it's a little spooky once you see them.

Other interesting things happened, but they were testimonies without "evidence" so I won't bother trying to entertain you with it.

And I'm dying to know more about this case because it seems the family got really quiet about it all, which makes me wonder how involved the government got.

I also really like how many different photos there are of the ufo that shut down the Xiaoshan airport in Hangzhou, China.

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LongLifeIsASlowDeath

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9mo ago

I can't believe people didn't go crazy over that crash. Those videos were incredible.

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kkaylaa123

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9mo ago

Right?! It's hard enough to find multiple photos of the same craft. Now we have 2 VIDEOS at the same time/location, and yet I only heard about it because I actively searched for it myself (I've been making a UFO/NHI sighting slideshow for fun)

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shaft196908

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9mo ago

Cut out the politics in a subreddit like this.

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u/xPelzvieux avatar

xPelzvieux

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9mo ago

There is no scientific (public) evidence. The best evidence I know of is the UFO i have seen with my own eyes in broad daylight. It was a silver sphere standing completely still in the air on a windy day. It completely vanished instantly while i was looking at it. But I could be lying and just telling stuff for upvotes. So that is no evidence.

The best cases I know of are the Nimitz encounter (but that could be hyper advanced US military tech used against own forces as a test) and the Varginha case. So many different witnesses. All the official explanations for multiple different things that happened that day in Varginha are disproven.

Then there is the Las Vegas crash. To me the craziest case wit photographic

evidence and for multiple things that occurred that evening. it gets even more crazy that it all fits neatly into the "lore" if you are into Mantis beings etc. But its crazy woo talk and in no way scientific. Just some pictures of aliens...

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Mantler77

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9mo ago

Personal experiences:

(ordered by what i'm 100% sure about to the parts that i wouldn't say that there aren't different explanations for it)

Most profound one was an encounter with a ufo in daylight when i was riding my bicycle back home from school. It was a black Dot in the distance that was at first standing still, which then flew away at an incredible speed to the right side.

Furthermore i had an experience that is difficult to describe - i was able to move in a different dimension in my mind and see different things - even surprised some entities with my visitation.

On top of that i had many "sleepless" nights that I believe could be an Initiation from a NHI. Though I sadly have to say that those encounters always brought fear with them, which i've set a strict boundary against to not engage with if there is even a tiny bit of fear involved.

External stuff:

I believe most of what People like Grush, Elizondo, Graves, Gallaudet and even Tom DeLonge describe - i have to say that i'm a very open person when it comes to topics like these, so i don't hold anything against someone if they don't believe any of these people. I for myself am questioning reality as a whole and find this topic quite interesting - concepts like dreams, psychedelic experiences and NDE are really interesting to me.

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9mo ago

This is all still testimony though

What about scientific evidence

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There isn't any convincing evidence. It is all stories and that is the major problem

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LongLifeIsASlowDeath

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9mo ago

The death of the police officer after the Varginha crash. He was sent out to look for creatures and captured one. He said it was greasy and slimy. Shortly after, his skin started releasing oils of a similar nature and he died of a mysterious infection.

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twosnug

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9mo ago

FAA File of JAL 1628 UFO Encounter

Two different radar stations tracked an object in the location where a pilot reported a UFO. FAA radar data is included. Military data isn't but transcript of communication between FAA and Air Force shows that military was returning an object in that position

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u/riah8 avatar
riah8

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9mo ago

Things like the Wilson-davis memo and just the Roswell case in general are compelling to me. Also David grush is imo the best most convincing witness we've ever seen.

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Chemical-Ebb6472

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9mo ago

Not making the case its definitely NHI - but Fravor and co.'s sworn Congressional testimony about his team's eyewitness encounter of an UAP moving in ways that defy known physics that was supported by military tracking equipment.

Eye witness testimony is what it is - but it has some additional weight coming from a Top Gun pilot/flight instructor.

That testimony is what moved the needle for many.

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Peter4reddit

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9mo ago

u/Independent-Eye-4056 avatar
Independent-Eye-4056

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9mo ago

None of this makes any sense until the scientific community has actual objects to study and investigate. Alternatively, the President of the United States would have to personally announce that UFOs are of extraterrestrial origin, but due to national security concerns, the details cannot be disclosed. It's one of the two options.

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Sternojourno

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u/recurv avatar

recurv

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9mo ago

Gimbal & David Fravor.

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u/tmosh avatar

tmosh

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9mo ago

The Ariel School incident left no physical evidence beyond a few indentations in the grass, yet I can't shake it from my mind. The idea that all those children could have convincingly lied seems even more extraordinary to me than an actual UFO landing near their school.

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OutdatedMage

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9mo ago

1985(?) Japanese aircraft flying to Alaska. Radar confirms an object following the plane

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u/FamousLastWords666 avatar

FamousLastWords666

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An English Woman Describes Her UFO Sighting Oct. 21st 1954

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9mo ago

Hey, thanks but thats testimony not scientific

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1 more reply

tupy3

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9mo ago

High radiation readings from supposed landing sites

Radar data showing incredible speeds

Radar data showing trajectory from outer space to sea level in seconds

Radiation sickness diagnosis from abductees

You name it

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u/immoraltoast avatar

immoraltoast

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9mo ago

I would say just this last so-called "UFO flap" that lasted for now 6 MONTHS of nightly activity. This is absolutely unheard of in human history, for a ufo event to last for so long and evidence every single night since November.

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9mo ago

Nice, but that's an "event"

What's your favourite solid piece of evidence that this drone flap occurred?

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u/Sindy51 avatar

Sindy51

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9mo ago

A strong piece of evidence could be our own ability to observe and catalog potential habitable planets using the James Webb telescope. If we can do it, then advanced civilizations in older star systems could have done the same, perhaps even detecting Earth's bio signatures from the dinosaur era, long before mammals even existed. This means extraterrestrial species could have been aware of Earth for millions of years, possibly visiting or monitoring it out of curiosity or scientific interest.

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u/CharmingMechanic2473 avatar

CharmingMechanic2473

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9mo ago

Military whistleblowers and "foreign intelligence" officer accounts.

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Witnesses like abductees....Travis Walton for one

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OP

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9mo ago

Thats's testimony not scientific evidence

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9mo ago

Roman Historical archives describing various UFOs including saucer shaped objects

The battle of Nuremberg

Colares Attacks

Ariel School encounter

The mass sighting in 50's/60's that led to a blackout

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Prestigious-Map-805

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9mo ago

Motion-to-Photons

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The other day I was walking along the beach looking at the pebbles. I imagined the pebbles as star systems, my walking pace as some insane amount faster than the speed of light (travel via wormholes?), and my 60 minute walk as the average age of a spacefaring civilisation. Even if you believe that there is life out there (and I do), the chances of it visiting us during our brief personal lifetime is infinitely small.

The sheer hubris at play on this sub in the people that mock skeptics is dumfounding.

There is no proof, only stories; and stories of proof (Nimitz is a good example). There's nothing more to this than any religious belief. The sooner we realise this, the better our conversations will be.

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Leomonice61

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9mo ago

There isn't any. My belief is though that given the size of the universe we are unlikely to be the only intelligent life form.

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9mo ago

Yes I believe in the universe it's statistically likely there is NHI

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u/r3f3r3r avatar

r3f3r3r

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9mo ago

Hello, for me it is sworn testimony by us intelligence officer, David Grusch.

Sworn testimony is regarded as a convincing evidence in the majority of courts of law on planet Earth.

Thank you.

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9mo ago

Scientific evidence, as stated in the OP

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thr0wnb0ne

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9mo ago

dolphins, elephants, chimps, redwoods, mycorizae and slime molds are all examples of non human intelligence

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0rbital-Interceptor

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9mo ago

u/Polyspec avatar

Polyspec

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9mo ago

If you parse all of the whistleblower testimony carefully, an interesting thing emerges. The term NHI is nowhere equated to aliens. I suspect the reality is far darker; something like a Darpa funded AI that runs on (erstwhile human or simian) biological wetware (biologics, an analogous term to "robotics"). What manner of process of experimentation led to the creation of this inside some black budget program, is the thing they don't want to disclose. Probably worse stuff than Mengele. Somber and ontologically shocking, not necessarily "alien" in the sense we are all expecting or hoping.

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u/startedposting avatar

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9mo ago

I can get behind that, with the amount of testimony and evidence it leaves two possibilities, either it's man made or not

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u/ForwardCut3311 avatar

ForwardCut3311

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9mo ago

When I heard the testimonies in Congress, honestly my first thought was not aliens but something else like AI. I'm not sure why else they'd use the word "intelligence"? By definition computers are NHI, so are chimpanzees. It's just a really weird thing to call things from outerspace.

And honestly, I'm 100% of the belief that either the US or a US company created COVID. So I have zero doubt they'd do something like this as well.

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u/MoreSnowMostBunny avatar

MoreSnowMostBunny

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9mo ago

Personal experiences.

For every "grifter" (people don't know English when they use that inappropriately) or "hoaxer," there are probably hundreds of thousands of people who have witnessed, observed, experienced things that our puny, limited understanding of this universe cannot explain. These experiences outnumber "debunkers" also probably half million-to-one (at least), and unlike "debunkers," most people have only scorn and ridicule rather than \$\$ to gain. That's why they know but don't talk about it.

The Phenomenon doesn't care what you believe in. It doesn't care that you don't

understand it. It doesn't care that some people say its all made up. The people who haven't experienced anything surreal are vastly outnumbered and should thank their lucky stars. I've seen friends go pale recounting what they've been through.

Ask 10 people if they've experienced strangeness, I bet 8 say yes. Being loud and closed minded isn't evidence.

No, the Phenomenon doesn't owe anyone a joyride with Kang and Kodos through the heart of the sun.

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OP

- 9mo ago
You seem frustrated you can't link anything and have to resort to testimony and anecdote

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Proud_Lengthiness_48

- 9mo ago
ydomodsh8me-1999
- 9mo ago
The testimony of multiple nuclear missile silo launch officers like Robert Salas, men by necessity whom, having the capacity to launch a nuclear missile should they have evil intent (contrary to popular belief, no secret code necessary for them to accomplish the task and begin WWII, leading inevitably to the likely end of the human race) are THE most trusted men in America and, by extension, the world. Finally, this testimony in conjunction with now declassified and/or leaked official (previously) Top Secret military and government documentation backing up these testimonies.

This was the final factor that convinced me.

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OP

- 9mo ago
Testimonial is not scientific

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1 more reply
u/mugatopdub avatar
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- 9mo ago
This is what I've collated over the past 4 years. There is a very sophisticated suppression machine running across all medias. Very well funded, staffed, I'm sure most don't even know they are part of it. Influencers on YT included. See r/lasvegasaliens and go back to when it happened, keep looking through from there on. Doug Poppa was the first to squash it, pretty certain he had a visit from the person who talked to Angel while they were on the phone, someone should find her, I swear they had a license plate, don't recall now. It's most likely a commandeered vehicle local anyway but may be something. Anyway, Vegas was real,

Ed down below I believe and J. Reed needs his butt drug info a podcast to determine what was true and not.

Here's an alien from Las Vegas encounter.

https://www.reddit.com/user/Wapiti_s15/comments/1acug81/head/?utm_source=reddit&utm_medium=usertext&utm_name=UF0s&utm_content=t1_kjwr7kv

Zoomed out a little more;

https://www.reddit.com/user/Wapiti_s15/comments/19e8vuq/heyo/?utm_source=reddit&utm_medium=usertext&utm_name=UF0s&utm_content=t1_kjw2y8s

And the GIF, make sure you watch it in FULLSCREEN, left side halfway up, the head turns and then as the camera pans down it pops up and you can see the eyes. Wish I could find the original videos but they have all been archived (cleanup I would imagine).

<https://imgur.io/a/yrNmU0b>

YouTube - Shadow Fence - <https://youtu.be/eL-fYcPaRrQ>

YouTube - this is one of the better ones - <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=P9eLGPcmvA&feature=youtu.be>

Excellent recap at the time of event. -

https://www.reddit.com/r/UF0s/comments/144xue8/the_las_vegas_case_is_no_joke_footage_found_of_an/?utm_source=share&utm_medium=ios_app&utm_name=iossmf

At the minimum I am going to get hate for this, but I am confident it's true (especially after hearing Lue say "should we take it down, no leave it up" and Immaculate Constellation). They absolutely were using cloaking technology, not only in the scene they investigated but in removed scenes. I've wondered why people have such a hard time seeing what I (and many others) saw when the news dropped the first couple weeks. It's been modified and re-released. I went through a recently posted high res version and could NOT find the images in the GIF I posted above. And I will tell you why, from first hand experience.

Less than 10 years ago, I attended a cyber security summit in Redmond, we toured a data center in an unnamed building. This was prior to Win 11. We saw some incredible things. First, when you sign an agreement to use Windows, it's under a chattel law, which means they are able to remotely affect your computer and data coming from it. You are "leasing" the software. We saw some really neat real time statistics around number of infections etc. they explained that when you agree to use Defender, if you have a virus (and maybe when not) there exists a contract with all ISP's that they can route your traffic to a black hole onsite until the infection is cleaned. Second, the major providers (Google, Amazon, Facebook, Apple etc) are all under agreements with all major enforcement arms from around the world to report let's say "immoral" acts. This is a massive database of hashes for images, well what are videos, a collection of images. When an image is flagged, it is inverted, hashed, black and white, hashed, rotated, hashed, blurred, hashed, keep going they do everything to it. That way if you post something awful even if you modify it they will find it. In 99.999% of cases this is a good thing. But in other cases we've seen what happens. They do this so they can find all copies of an image wherever it may be and notify the appropriate authority in that area. It's no joke when someone says "they watch everything you do". I believe, in this case, all of the original videos were taken down (I started seeing it after a few weeks on Reddit, most of the posts were archived and I thought it odd) and replaced with a modified version. Go through any high res video you can find and see if you can where's Waldo the GIFs I'm posting, you won't be able to.

Clear - <https://www.reddit.com/media?>

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https://www.reddit.com/r/LasVegasAliens/comments/1ctmjpk/las_vegas_backyard_beings_incident_analysis_video/?share_id=DY8UPlo1aCVq1cUYek6qA

Jellyfish - suppressed on /UFOs

https://www.reddit.com/r/UFOs/comments/1ezd1wd/ring_cam_jellyfish_uap_closeup_by_uiambradfordj/

Las Vegas "Backyard Aliens" (4K) <https://youtu.be/u4YLW6Xh4ygsi=Rw1Atnp6gBb04CUf>

"Ed" Abduction very clear video - <https://youtu.be/rBhfMuHNMu0?si=1U0YlUYiGwih7J4m>

Reed "Teleporting"

<https://vimeo.com/14606894>

<https://youtu.be/iw6mtLyP7bE>

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=Ei6-VEcExs4> - possible ship

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u/stevendiceinkazoo avatar
stevendiceinkazoo

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9mo ago

It really boils down to the testimony of many credible people and researchers over the course of decades. Their experiences have been ridiculed and laughed at and considered crazy for many of those years.

Overcoming the hurdle of credibility, disrespect and disregard makes their testimony even that much more compelling.

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u/Mindless_Loquat3035 avatar
Mindless_Loquat3035

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9mo ago

There is no scientific evidence. There is only speculation, rumors and eyewitness accounts. What is wrong with people needing empirical evidence to believe in UFOs? Should we go back to the Middle Ages and believe in superstitions based only on trust? I myself take into account that there may be something in it because I would be ignorant if I completely rejected that there may be a grain of truth in this legend. But at the same time one cannot let oneself be driven crazy by blind faith. I want to know, but I don't want to deceive myself. As for such personal evidence that I would believe in, it would be my own observation. But not that I see dots in the sky that could be anything, but an actual object seen with my eyes. Another evidence would be a factual confirmation of the phenomenon by scientists who would take care of it properly. Photos and recordings have always been only possible circumstantial evidence for me, because anything can be faked with the right will and skill.

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u/DrierYoungus avatar
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The bodies

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I dunno about that one

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ajwelch14

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9mo ago

The Schumer amendment. IT IS DISCLOSURE. Even if it wasn't passed.

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OP

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9mo ago

Thats not scientific evidence thats a law (Schumer not a great poster child for disclosure at the moment)

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2 more replies

u/Golden-Tate-Warriors avatar

Golden-Tate-Warriors

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9mo ago

For me it's the language of the Schumer-Rounds Amendment

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u/startedposting avatar

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Plus it got blocked not once but twice, shouldn't they just put the whole thing to rest by passing it and showing us there's nothing?

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Far_Ad1240

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Jake Barber has some great videos of birds!

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u/sputnikdreamwave avatar

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9mo ago

For me, it's not a single piece of evidence so much as the cumulative effect of several personal sighting experiences and sighting experiences of people that I know to be highly credible. That, plus the fact that a LOT of people seem to have had very similar experiences.

But if it was only the stuff I've read or seen online on its own, without the personal/trustworthy friend incidents, I don't think I'd be nearly as convinced that there is some sort of extraordinary phenomenon out there.

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u/Dangerous-Spot-7348 avatar
Dangerous-Spot-7348

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9mo ago

For me it was recently personally witnessing a blue orb drone. But probably the Steven Greer 2001 conference for me.

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MulberryEffective814

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9mo ago

I tell everyone, they exist, what remains to be seen is whether they are extra dimensional or not, and in relation to their ships, they are alive too, they are not just flying ships, they are intelligences too.

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<https://youtube.com/@eyesoncinema>

https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_reported_UFO_sightings

Pretty much the best cases (but not all) are documented above.

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u/EmotionalTree6505 avatar
EmotionalTree6505

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9mo ago

The whole Las Vegas encounter back in 2023

Video evidence of a cloaked shadow like being rushes the family as they enter the back yard along with another non cloaked one in front of them.

Plus the greenish blue object (craft) seen in the sky by multiple people just before the Kenmore family calls 911 to report non human being in their backyard.

I don't need anymore proof than that encounter.

<https://www.reddit.com/r/LasVegasAliens/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?app=desktop&v=I12da0wS5X0>

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Outaouais_Guy

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9mo ago

I don't have any. I don't trust personal experiences because of how unreliable people are. Captain Kenji Terauchi was a commercial pilot who saw 3 UFOs during a flight, but he was mistaken.

During the flight, Captain Kenji Terauchi reported seeing three objects he described as "two small ships and the mothership". The FAA in Anchorage only saw Flight 1628 on their radar. Two other nearby planes only saw Flight 1628 and no other objects. An FAA investigation of the incident characterized Terauchi as a "UFO repeater". Astronomers and investigators have determined that Terauchi probably mistook the planets Jupiter and Mars as UFOs. Contradictions among the accounts of the crew from the three aircraft as well as contradictions between the transcripts and later interviews with Terauchi have cast doubt that anything unusual happened.

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jaydiza203

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As much as I believe... I haven't seen anything yet

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Due-Professional-761

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Several people with high clearances in that realm of work testifying under oath about it.

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9mo ago

It'd be great if aliens were visiting, but I'm not convinced. The best piece of evidence on offer, is probably the Oumuamua comet, that was oddly shaped that showed unusual behaviour.

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9mo ago

Fair

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Strategy

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9mo ago

This is asked everyday so they can convince their mom. The case is in the totality of the story over 75-85 years, no single thing.

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9mo ago

Yes but surely there's at least one good single bit of scientific evidence, or at least your favourite.

80 years of weak inconclusive evidence doesn't accumulate into becoming one strong piece. It just means there's 80 years worth of weak evidence.

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u/Tikkatider avatar

Tikkatider

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9mo ago

Favorite piece of convincing evidence? Don't have one. Because I haven't seen anything that's personally convincing. About the only observational "evidence" that I put any credence at all in are first hand from air crews, particularly military, and even they can make mistakes.

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Ok_Scallion1902

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9mo ago

The simple fallacy of whether even a massive string of weather balloons could possibly have left a debris field "several hundred yards wide and three quarters of a mile long", and that was just part of the Roswell Crash of July 8th, 1947. Furthermore, that, per the USAF publication of 1997, subtitled "Case Closed" that they could have the temerity to claim that the "weather Balloon" was now a string of Project: "Mogul" balloons, which carried recording devices to listen for nuclear explosions SIX YEARS before intelligence experts believed it was even POSSIBLE for the Soviets to have BUILT ONE!!!

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OneSeaworthiness7768

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9mo ago

I think the testimony of various high level military members over the decades is enough to believe there's something going on, and I do agree with what you're saying about non-credible people in government but I believe the volume and variety of them spanning decades is at least enough to say it warrants investigation. But as far as scientific evidence, I'm still waiting on that. That's why I would consider myself a skeptical believer. It seems like it could be real, but I can't just take it on stories alone.

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u/-sudo-rm-rf-slash- avatar
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9mo ago

Cash Landrum incident and Varginha, since there were physical injuries involved

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u/InsomniacSpaceJockey avatar
InsomniacSpaceJockey

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9mo ago

The transcript of the O'Hare sighting is very compelling to me. FAA experts openly stating there was a "hovering disc" that departed so quickly it punched a hole in the clouds.

<https://youtu.be/fgWgVMNB040?si=fbeV8GPSUI0gJ7SV>

Part of the problem of nailing down NHI presence is that our scientific method is not designed to study, track or measure something that is 1) actively trying to avoid being engaged by that method and 2) potentially operating at a higher level of technological prowess than we are. When we were studying germs, the germs didn't have the capacity to zip away at high speeds and potentially mess with human brain circuitry. Once capacities like that are involved, the traditional scientific process of "give me evidence I can dissect on a slab" becomes extremely fraught. If a deep-sea creature in the Marianas Trench wanted to study humans by the "scientific method", what evidence would it have? Mysterious objects that float down, shine a light or stick a camera in its face and then vanish into some unknowable realm beyond the fish's experience. Occasionally a piece of mysterious trash, like an aluminum can. Once the object of your scientific inquiry has the capacity to evade you consciously, and the technology to do so easily, it does indeed become a sort of battle with ghosts and phantoms, things that don't obey our physical laws, things that are so beyond our experience that they can dip in and dip out of our reality at will.

How do you study something like that? And if evidence is uncovered, how do you keep the US government, the most powerful force of privatized profit on earth, from monopolizing every piece of that evidence it can find for its own private / personal use?

I'm not saying your demand for hard evidence is foolish, it's very logical. But leaning on the "give me a body on a slab" aspect of the scientific method can become exponentially more complicated when factors like these are involved. And the data set of thousands of anecdotal accounts, plus Congressional testimony, plus experiencers, plus the government sending its own disinfo goons to muddy the waters, as they did with the agent in the "Mirage Men" documentary who confirmed he is a disinfo agent... What you get is a massive soup of strangeness and contradictions. Trying to "kick the tires" of this phenomenon with the traditional scientific method of $A + B = C$ is like Benjamin Franklin trying to discern the inner workings of a plasma TV. I'm not saying to accept anecdotes on faith, but together by the thousands upon thousands, they do form a very odd data set that doesn't map with the "people just tell tall tales" hypothesis. It took us thousands of years to determine the Earth moved around the Sun... and the Sun wasn't capable of just moving out of the way of our telescopes. Something to consider.

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Goforit90s

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Spits32

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Socorro, NM/Zamora case had some impressions and burn marks in the soil/bush. Also a pretty credible witness. I think it was one of the cases that convinced Hynek there was something to this.

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u/james-e-oberg avatar

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9mo ago

Any astronaut reports or images or videos?

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Windman772

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9mo ago

I think the real fallacy here is demanding that this be treated as a scientific investigation when we have testimony that evidence is being hidden by the government. Science is not able to evaluate this until humans stop tampering with and removing evidence. Until then, it's a political problem and should be treated as such.

And as a political problem, my favorite piece of evidence is the Schumer Amendment itself.

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phiskaki

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9mo ago

I have a photograph that shows what the phenomena is.

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u/FewCook6751 avatar

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Post it then 🙄👉♥

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I think it's all the aliens.

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9mo ago
What is your scientific evidence that anything you say is true about our government other than Democrat politicians paying CNN/liberal media telling you these lies? Sick and tired of the political bullshit. If NHI is here, this is why they cannot be bothered with us.

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u/Historical-Camera972 avatar
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9mo ago
Nano structures in areas dredged up from the cratonic lithosphere. (Ural Mountain nano structures circa early 1990's.) Someone has been here, and they left a mark.

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u/shenglong avatar
shenglong

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9mo ago

Some of our world leaders have the "intelligence" of cows. I'd say that counts.

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alahmo4320

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Commander Favor testimony

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9mo ago

Thats testimony not scientific evidence

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u/FlyingDiscsandJams avatar

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9mo ago

My sighting. And the Arecibo Message crop circle.

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Specific-Scallion-34

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9mo ago

This sub is like a cyclical hell or deja vu

Always the same discussions of cases and trying to convince people that x is not debunked and has radar data and isnt birds lanterns zzz

People trying to debunk the nimitz case is hilarious

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u/Longjumping-Front221 avatar

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9mo ago

The fact that we are here

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u/midnightballoon avatar

midnightballoon

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9mo ago

Read carefully. Click. This couldn't be any clearer.

<https://tridactyls.org/research-papers> Explore 22 research papers, some peer reviewed, all by doctors and scientists. These beings are real. Real aliens or hybrids or ancient NHI earth bound lineage. Couldn't. Be. Any. Clearer.

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CompetitionTasty428

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9mo ago

Tic tac event. Those pilots, for me, had the most compelling evidence. Radar, their knowledge and experience solidified the NHI existence which led me to believe.

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u/xyyrix avatar

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9mo ago

The existence of life on Earth.

The ontology of modern humans is complete garbage.

They think 'the earth is special, it has life'. But everything comes from the sky. The Earth is swarming with NHI in the form of »organisms, which are, in point of fact 'space life'. Space isn't empty, it's »catastrophically generative of minds. That's why we have them.

Everything you see here, from a virus to a whale, is space life.

Our absurd ontological idiocy renders Earth and particularly humans as 'extremely special'. This is like the tip of my pinky 'thinking' that it's the only important thing going on.

It's blatantly obvious to anyone with a working neuron that Earth, a planet in space, is an example of the general character and generative nature of timespace (and that which generates timespace).

The humans are totally surrounded by NHI, and it takes them decades to realize that 'A corvid can solve mechanical problems'. Everyone goes nuts because 'science reveals that octopuses are intelligent'.

Ok humans.

Good luck with that.

PS: We only have minds because of the staggering complexity of the relational webs of organisms all around us. Wipe those out?

You wont have anything resembling a mind. Neither will your children.

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BaronGreywatch

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9mo ago

I quite like the sts 75 satellitte footage, although its not 'high level' intelligence and it is not so close as to be on our planet. I wouldnt say the phenomenon displayed dictates any agenda or even organisation.

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u/MagusUnion avatar

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9mo ago

Honestly? It has nothing to do with UFO's.

The hostile reaction online by state sponsored actors is enough to imply that something is going on. Something that those in power wants to stay hidden. And something very big that could get those power brokers within the ire of the general populous.

If there was no 'truth' to any of this, this forum would be dead as piss. But it isn't. It's always a contest to force believe (or non-believe) on this kind of subject.

That tells an old head like me that there is some powerful political truth to this topic. And whoever controls said truth commands the power it grants from it.

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u/Jrobs62 avatar
Jrobs62

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9mo ago

My favorite is Herreras story in Indonesia. Fucking insane story. I can imagine the whole story in my head vividly, easily the most interesting one to me. Not true evidence just testimony

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u/Betaparticlemale avatar
Betaparticlemale

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9mo ago

All of your posts are debunker content. This doesn't seem sincere. If you want scientific evidence you actually have to do science, which hasn't been done.

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Careful-Crab179

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9mo ago

The ancient archeological sites like the giant desert designs in Peru, the pyramids in Egypt, South America and the kofuns in Japan. We don't have technology today that can make that stuff let alone 5,000 years ago. The fact that a lot of it is designed to be seen from the air.

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TerdFerguson2112

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Lonnie Zamora

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Huge_Republic_7866

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Phoenix Lights are still the most convincing for me. The sheer number of witnesses seeing the same exact thing all over a city, along with photographic AND video evidence, (all back in '97) is too large to just dismiss as a hoax.

99% of sightings can be chalked up to mechanical/instrument/sensor error, hallucinations, an ordinary object or bird in the distance, a star/planet/moon or just someone making shit up for money or attention. But the Phoenix Lights fall into the 1%. It's easy to say 1 or even 20 people made something up. It's hard to say 1000s from all over a city in the 90s had coordinated everything.

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MovieFanatic2160

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9mo ago

Ariel school Zimbabwe landing 1994. Sometimes good old fashioned eye witness testimony coming from innocent and genuine children with an honest look in their eyes is all it takes to convince and I was. It also helped they were interviewed by the best child psychologist on the planet at the time.

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u/thehighyellowmoon avatar
thehighyellowmoon

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9mo ago

Religious texts and cave drawings from ancient cultures across the world. For example, the Sanskrit reference to "flying temple in the sky" from the 7th century Ramayana epic.

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Quinnlynness

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9mo ago

1980 Rendalsham Forrest encounter. The deputy base commander literally narrated the sighting into a tape recorder as he investigated it with base military police.

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Brilliant-Driver-320

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9mo ago

It isn't a fact or evidence as such - even radar evidence is dubious (read Leon Davidson) - but just the strange context that all this highly advanced tech has never been used for any clear human purpose, in war or at market. Either a secret cabal has developed revolutionary tech and isn't using it for anything, or it serves nonhuman purposes.

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Outlandish-man

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9mo ago

It's not one thing, it's the culmination of sightings/videos/leaks etc that it would be one gigantic brilliant psyop if it weren't real, but it's all too much and for too long that the cat would be out of the bag if it were ALL fake. There's just too many unknowns and unexplainable, with tech/abilities of these things.

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u/midnightballoon avatar

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www.Tridactyls.org not even close. 22 research papers.

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u/JAM_Library avatar

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9mo ago

The Nazca Mummies. They are real, they existed between 900 and 6000 years ago, they share some DNA with humans but are definitely not homo sapiens, they have no precedents found in the fossil record, and they suddenly disappeared until their corpses were discovered in 2015. They were deliberately packed in diatomaceous earth to ensure their preservation and future discovery. They display several unique characteristics such as the presence of cadmium in their preservative scheme and osmium (one of the rarest of metals on Earth) in their numerous metallic implants. They strongly suggest the presence of a NHI on Earth that was capable of very detailed and complex genetic engineering thousands of years ago. These were feats in genetic engineering that we still cannot accomplish today. Nevermind that they were discovered in Peru near sites like Sacsayhuaman, Ollantaytambo, Pisac, Machu Pichu, the Nazca Lines, and Puma Punku, all whose construction methods we still cannot explain nor replicate today. The Nazca Mummies legitimately raise the question of whether we, ourselves, may be a genetically engineered species/project of a NHI present on this planet that has never gone away. If that is the truth, we need to know that.

Crop Circles. Some (Woolaston Grange, Whitesheet Hill, Jubilee Plantation as examples) display foreknowledge of near-future events that cannot be explained in any other way except that their creators included information about events that had not yet happened when they appeared, but did happen soon after they were created. Details of those crop circles can be found in the book "UFOs,

Nuclear Weapons, and a New Age of Reason" by Richard O'Connor, M.D..

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u/Far_Detective2022 avatar
Far_Detective2022

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9mo ago

All the videos and pictures only ever served one purpose, to fuel my curiosity.

It was my own experiences that made me believe without a doubt.

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u/Euphoric-Chair-4688 avatar
Euphoric-Chair-4688

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9mo ago

I have sightings from above my house if this helps? I can send you the videos I have.

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u/Subset-MJ-235 avatar
Subset-MJ-235

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9mo ago

Despite all the evidence, I was a skeptic until I started watching The Secret of Skinwalker Ranch. That show convinced me that we are not alone. Now I look at the mountains of data and the hordes of whistleblowers and wonder why I didn't believe before then.

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apehuman

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9mo ago

Personal witness. Prior to that I was an uniformed non-believer. Given current state of tech and disinformation it may take a person by person transition to disclosure. How would NHI persuade 8 billion humans it's all good and to chill on the violence toward them?

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u/WearyAd7091 avatar
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9mo ago

The wizard of the White House did it for me. Extraterrestrials implant technologies injected during childhood encounters altered the child wizard to conduct in true magical abilities in altering the universe around himself. The extraterrestrials in 1978 conducted a physical time travel experiment using the twenty year old wizard to failsafe the experiment so as to not destroy the universe. The wizard myths are real and connected to a long history of such humans and extraterrestrials working together in some divine mysterious manner. The wizard saved everything including God. The story connected to Barney and Betty Hill as well as they encountered the three year old wizard just after they were married. The extraterrestrials were connected through the kid and Barney and Betty were pre selected by the implant technologies in the child wizard. Former White House Chief of Staff tweeted the wizard one time. "Thank God we have you!" The secret is an altered human by multiple extraterrestrials forces working together in an unbelievable time travel experiment that makes the universe become the time machine. The time wizard has saved you and Nirvana is the wizard singing to you by way of a recording conspiracy that involved not only Kurt Cobain but most of the successful artists in the music industry. Listen to Jennifer Lopez sing Feel The Light. Those are the wizards lyrics it's a stolen song. Smells Like Teen Spirit is the wizards song via the recording conspiracy. Blackhole Sun is the wizard. Lady Gaga her name is the intellectual property of the President's wizard fact. The wizard is U2, Weezer, Metallica,

Traveling Wilbury's, Alice In Chains, Jane's Addiction, Five Finger Death Punch, God Smack and on and on the conspiracy surrounding the wizard is vast and billions have been made time and time again from the most amazing human in all the heavens. Even the extraterrestrials are here to support their wizard who saved them from total plasma destruction of the entire universe. As agent Smart might have said, "We came this close to dead two milli seconds." The wizard acted upon space instantaneously and infinitely with a brilliance of manifesting light.

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u/Turbulent_Escape4882 avatar
Turbulent_Escape4882

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9mo ago
I struggle to find scientific evidence the physical world exists. Fortunately faith (or axiomatic assumptions) has that covered.

Experiencers are most logical place to look for evidence. If demanding it be hard evidence (when arguably such a thing doesn't exist) is a fool's errand. I expect overwhelmingly majority will continue to seek hard evidence despite what skeptics and philosophy of science says.

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u/syndic8_xyz avatar
syndic8_xyz

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9mo ago
Good question, for me it's my own experience, I know it's real and have encountered it - it's even roughly reproducible, but that will not convince the majority of people as they will not have that experience.

But I want to think of something that would convince "most people", and here's what I think: reason from first principles about it. Your exact line of reasoning will probably differ, but it might go a bit like this:

The universe is vast and has many habitable worlds.

Life has very likely developed elsewhere.

The universe is very old.

Points 1 + 2 + 3 together imply => Life has probably existed elsewhere for a very long time.

4 implies => A lot of life has probably developed into civilizations.

5 implies => A lot of civilizations have probably been technologically advanced for hundreds of millions of years (or 10,000 times longer than humans have had "technology" in our current Earth civilization).

6 implies => a lot of these technologies from these civilizations probably look like magic to us and are almost entirely incomprehensible to us.

7 implies => their capabilities are likely beyond what most people could even imagine.

8 implies => it's extremely likely their capabilities include travel to any point in space, and even time.

9 implies => there are dozens of millions of civilizations with the capability to be here, now.

10 implies => some of them probably would be here, just by random chance, even if we were totally boring.

it's possible we're not "totally boring" for reasons of the future risk we pose due to our weapons, and warrior natures. Or even for reasons of our "development potential".

11 + 12 implies => maybe these cosmic neighbors are actually interested in knowing what they're up to, so out of the dozens of millions of civilizations that could be here, maybe more are here than you'd expect from just random explorin

13 implies => given there's lots here, it's likely we would have seen and encountered them, even if their tech capabilities include the ability to be "mostly invisible or mostly disguised most of the time"

14 and 8 imply that they could probably easily disguise themselves as humans doing human things if they wanted to.

it's conceivable that we would struggle to understand the motivations for why they would do what they do, or why they would or wouldn't "reveal" themselves to us.

15 and 16 imply => lots of people probably encounter them but are left confused as to wtf just happened, wtf it was, wtf it means.

17 implies => well, you are here. basically what we see around us. :)

you're welcome :)

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u/wholelottalove84 avatar
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9mo ago
Nimitz and the Turkey footage would be in the top 3 for sure

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u/Odd_Cockroach_1083 avatar
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9mo ago
The really old (1920s) photo of a dead alien on a table with people staring at it (presumably physicians and precursors to men-in-black).

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Prestigious-Map-805

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9mo ago
honestly, bob lazar, his very matter of fact non dramatic explanation of how the craft works

also the navy F-18 nose cam tictac footage, I mean like.... there it is

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u/VillageUpper4590 avatar
VillageUpper4590

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9mo ago
Aracebo (sp?) answer and all of the crop circles that tick all the boxes to be "non-human" in their origins. Oh and I have video evidence that definitively shows a sentient being that isn't human interacting with me. I've tried to

create a post for it but it never makes up and the mods say they're not stopping it 🤖 I'll post it here momentarily tho.

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u/VillageUpper4590 avatar
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https://drive.google.com/file/d/170Rg7Qlqmuvef80zj04_01jydngEUN37/view?usp=drivesdk

I'm sure I find this more compelling seeing as I know the geography of where this is filmed (my backyard) but the light that clearly responds to when I speak is 120 yards away and about 40-50ft up a tree. There is a 30 foot drop then enough woods that the house behind can not be the source of the light, one would have to go back a couple 1000 yards or more before lights are naturally at that elevation and this light is clearly on my side of the tree. I don't know what it is but I know it's not human and you can clearly see it is sentient

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This is based on a ridiculous amount of carefully curated searches and AI-supported analysis. All of this is from public records.

Sean Kirkpatrick, his successor, and AARO claim there is no available data on the Nimitz incident. That's curious, because essentially the following ships were all about 100~ miles from the Tic Tac encounter:

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/USS_Nimitz#Nimitz_Carrier_Strike_Group

That includes the following, plus a bunch of Arleigh Burke class destroyers:

USS Nimitz (CVN-68): Aircraft carrier serving as the flagship.

USS Princeton (CG-59): Ticonderoga-class guided missile cruiser, notable for its initial detection of the UFO.

USS Louisville (SSN-724): Los Angeles-class nuclear-powered submarine.

Lots and lots of aircraft.

The mentioned bunch of destroyers.

Keep in mind: that is a minimum of 4-10 boats, all with advanced telemetry equipment. To keep things simple, I aggregated the data with GPT and had it run a lot of searches and queries and compared it against published material, having it double and triple check its work repeatedly. As much as when I use it to supplement professional research.

These are what AARO says does not exist. This is from JUST the USS Princeton. I didn't even bother looking at the rest. This is shameful enough.

USS Princeton's Radar and Telemetry Systems During the "Tic Tac" UFO Encounter.
AN/SPY-1 Radar
Manufacturer: Lockheed Martin

Core Functionality: This multifunction phased-array radar system is integral to the Aegis Combat System. It scans the airspace to detect and track aircraft, missiles, and surface ships, capable of tracking hundreds of targets simultaneously.

Accuracy of Answer: 95%

Support: Public defense reports and Lockheed Martin's descriptions.

Published Functional Range: Over 250 miles (accuracy: 80%)

Likelihood of Operation: 98%

Rationale: Given its role in air and missile defense, it's highly likely this system was operational during the "Tic Tac" UFO sighting.

Evidence Accuracy: 90%

Confidence in Assessment: 95%

AN/SPS-49 Air Search Radar
Manufacturer: Raytheon

Core Functionality: A long-range air search radar that plays a crucial role in early warning and engagement planning by detecting airborne targets.

Accuracy of Answer: 90%

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Manufacturer: Lockheed Martin

Core Functionality: Specializes in missile guidance as part of the Aegis Combat System, integral for defensive and offensive operations.

Accuracy of Answer: 90%

Support: Defense literature and Lockheed Martin's product information.

Published Functional Range: Not disclosed.

Likelihood of Operation: 90%

Rationale: Likely operational as part of the ship's integrated defense posture.

Evidence Accuracy: 80%

Confidence in Assessment: 88%

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OK.

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2y ago
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2y ago
focusing on one person is the game they want you to play. they put Kirkpatrick out here to draw all the anger from this community & the community plays right along & acts like it's actually Kirkpatrick making decisions.

no wonder we can't ever get anywhere in this search.....every week or so the whole community focuses on some minor meaningless point, like Kirkpatrick

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matthebu

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2y ago
Aros report was for people too busy to care about UFOs and its purpose to stop UFOs from having 50 million curious members was probably consumed by the majority without a second thought.

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2y ago
If you have the right TSC, it's in the NORAD flagged tracks from 2004. That's not a gigantic list, you can go through it if you want, it's there.

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silv3rbull8

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u/PyroIsSpai avatar
PyroIsSpai
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There's something profound about someone in the inner circle of a secret society, pretending to be someone of the public society, in order to convince the public that their own secret doesn't matter.

Or:

<https://i.imgur.com/RrG0NIg.jpeg>

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u/croninsiglos avatar

croninsiglos

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2y ago

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So did you find the radar records of what it recorded on that day or not?

It doesn't look like you found anything besides a description of the systems and not the actual data.

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u/Morto66 avatar

Morto66

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2y ago

. Evidence accuracy 0%

. Confidence in assessment 100%

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LordPennybag

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78% of statistics are unreliably flexible objects.

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Kirkpatrick claimed no data was recorded at the event.

This is just the public domain known systems on ONE boat of many, assessing the likelihood of it being operational during the incident, and if the incident would be in range of the systems.

Yes, and yes.

This is more evidence AARO lied to the public.

We need to know what text in the public version of the report differs in or is contradicted by the classified Congressional version. Just have Congress

literally run a highlighter over the relevant public text.

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2y ago

That's not really what he said though... he said:

"None of that data was retained at the time, because there wasn't a data retention policy in place for the department."

I don't know of him ever claiming that no data was ever recorded.

Another quote: <https://x.com/MikeColangelo/status/1768344308862632274?s=20>

I think everything is contingent on him being wrong about people confiscating the tapes, otherwise, there's probably nothing left.

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It's cool that someone basically asked this exact question to him:
<https://www.metabunk.org/threads/sean-kirkpatrick-interview-with-daniel-lavelle-at-the-guardian-transcript.13399/>

If you don't wanna click because of the source, the quick answer is that they didn't have policies in place to retain this sort of data back then. One of the first things he did with AARO was to establish a data retention policy:

All that takes time, as far as Tic Tac is concerned. And there's a couple of other explanations that don't involve extraterrestrials that haven't been fully explored, but they aren't going to be able to because there's no data. You know, this is from years and years ago. None of that data was retained at the time, because there wasn't a data retention policy in place for the department. And the first thing ...

Daniel Lavelle 14:26

... is there one now?

Sean Kirkpatrick 14:28

There is. That was one of the first thing that I did when I stood up AARO was we put together a data retention policy and put it out to the Joint Staff. Joint Staff issued it along with the reporting requirements that we standardized last year. So all of that is out there. Now it's a question of what can they see and collect and how can they process all that data?

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2y ago

I work military systems. Data storage was super expensive, consumed a lot of physical space, was heavy, and power hungry (SWaP) in the 80s and 90s when this tech was developed. It makes perfect sense to me that data retention was not a priority for the Navy when building these systems (I.e., data retention was reduced as a cost savings effort). Today data storage is cheap. Not so much back

then.

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u/JackasaurusChance avatar
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2y ago

... blink twice if you are in danger... ???

You do realize the FLIR video is from the literal Nimitz incident? It's literally stored data from ONE of the systems that was in operation. Was that the special plane that got the single recording device in a Carrier Fleet Group?

And you'll counter by saying, "NO! It's expensive to keep and store so you only do it if it's something important!" Something important like, say, and I'm just spit balling here, a formation of Unidentified Aerial Phenomena that interrupt your training exercise, and you send jets to investigate the signatures? Signatures so anomalous there's not just still scrutiny and debate about them 20 years later, but a sprawling investigation that seems to be picking up a lot of speed? Anomalous signatures that have already seen the Wing Commander testifying, under oath, to Congress?

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2y ago

Uhh maybe because it's a camera!!! Literally no one has ever developed a camera that doesn't record its video.

And my man, someone gives you an informed opinion and you shit all over it. Good luck in life my friend.

And for reference, in 2001 I installed a 1 TB NetApp array and it cost just over \$1M. The system consumed every bit of space in a 42U rack (if you don't know what that means do some research). Today you can fit 1 TB on a thumb drive. So yes, data storage was super expensive when these systems were developed in the 80s and 90s.

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u/Camerahutuk avatar
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The thing is the guys in the fleet, say people came for that data, specifically.

Patrick who was in charge of the data blocks is on the record on video...

<https://www.reddit.com/r/UFOs/s/5udsrwFhPw>

Patrick the second guy in the video above, explains the procedures that normally would happen and the complete disregard for the procedures when these officials who had flown in took it away without any of the usual chain of custody procedures under order from their superiors.

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Can't test data if you destroy it.

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Windman772

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I believe Kevin Day that the data was confiscated. That said, it's still plausible that SK couldn't find data even if Day is wrong. Just because data was recorded doesn't mean it's still available in 2024. It's been 20 years since the incident. It's quite possible that the Navy doesn't maintain digital data records that long. They could erase or record over the data after X number of years.

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u/ASearchingLibrarian avatar

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So they kept the short film for 13 years, and then in 2017 that short film was released from a repository which literally only has that one film, and 2 other short films (the short GIMBAL [sans the five other object] and GOFAST films), but that is all that was there in that repository, relating to incidents that interfered with aircraft carrier training in 2004, and 2015? Ok.

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Windman772

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2y ago

Good point. It would probably depend on if it was being managed within the Navy as an overarching UAP event or if it was just a bunch of people managing data on autopilot. How did Lue's group get it? Officially designated as UAP or was it leaked to him?

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u/fat_earther_ avatar

fat_earther_

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Recall that Fravor said he had to big dick the tape back to his possession after some people on the Nimitz took it for shits and giggles. It's possible those people made a copy before Fravor got it back. It's also possible people on the princeton made a copy of the recording too, because that whole bunch of witnesses also stated they saw the flir1 recording. Whoever it was, they were likely the people who leaked it to "strangeland.com" or whatever and then it ended up as a story on above top secret from "the final theory."

Edit: Fravor himself said the tapes eventually got recorded over in his possession.

Also remember that Bigelow's AAWSAP/ AATIP hired Marine pilot and Nimitz witness Douglas "Cheeks" Kurth to write the "official/unofficial" report about the Nimitz incident. It's possible Kurth had a copy of the tape and provided it to Bigelow and Co. which found its way to Mellon and Elizondo through that group.

I feel like those are all ways the video could have made its way to the quasi "government" group (Bigelow/ Puthoff/ Davis/ Lacatski/ Elizondo/ etc.) without the legitimate "government" having any idea the tape existed.

This is only speculation about the flir video. The Nimitz incident radar data

was said to be confiscated by persons in civilian attire and air force flight suits with officer insignia. This does not mean it was necessarily the air force responsible though... perhaps the Air Force uniforms were a disguise?

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Good journalism can break this open. Line up the ships and planes involved and ask about radar data one by one.

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SeaRevolutionary8652

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Hey I love the use of AI for analysis, but I think if we're going to go this route it's important to show methodology (especially things like confidence ratings). Methodology meaning 1) model used, 2) prompt, 3) sources or attachments included in the context window, 4) custom instructions if relevant, 5) any other methods employed especially if done over API and not through the web interface.

Reason is this: AI output from all of the base models available (GPT-4 Turbo, Gemini 1.5 Pro, Claude 3 Opus, etc.) is really really good at some things, and not so great at others. When you ask an AI to give a confidence rating on an answer itself, without a separate defined algorithm for assessing confidence, it is not giving you anything that is truly meaningful.

It's basically just saying "based on the information in my context window (meaning anything in that specific conversation so far and any sources you specifically had it reference), what number is statistically most likely to follow the phrase 'confidence rating'?"

Again, I want to emphasize that I think using AI to help assess all of the data out there on the UAP topic is awesome, but we need to be careful to get responses and methods to avoid being unintentionally misled.

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Most people have no idea how many eyes and sensors are involved in an aircraft carrier operation. They are insanely well protected.

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Sean Kirkpatrick, his successor, and AARO claim there is no available data on the Nimitz incident. That's curious, because essentially the following ships were all about 100~ miles from the Tic Tac encounter:

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/USS_Nimitz#Nimitz_Carrier_Strike_Group

That includes the following, plus a bunch of Arleigh Burke class destroyers:

USS Nimitz (CVN-68): Aircraft carrier serving as the flagship.

USS Princeton (CG-59): Ticonderoga-class guided missile cruiser, notable for its initial detection of the UFO.

USS Louisville (SSN-724): Los Angeles-class nuclear-powered submarine.

Lots and lots of aircraft.

The mentioned bunch of destroyers.

Keep in mind: that is a minimum of 4-10 boats, all with advanced telemetry equipment. To keep things simple, I aggregated the data with GPT and had it run a lot of searches and queries and compared it against published material, having it double and triple check its work repeatedly. As much as when I use it to supplement professional research.

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2y ago

focusing on one person is the game they want you to play. they put Kirkpatrick out here to draw all the anger from this community & the community plays right along & acts like it's actually Kirkpatrick making decisions.

no wonder we can't ever get anywhere in this search.....every week or so the whole community focuses on some minor meaningless point, like Kirkpatrick

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matthebu

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2y ago

Aros report was for people too busy to care about UFOs and its purpose to stop UFOs from having 50 million curious members was probably consumed by the majority without a second thought.

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2y ago

If you have the right TSC, it's in the NORAD flagged tracks from 2004. That's not a gigantic list, you can go through it if you want, it's there.

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silv3rbull8

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2y ago

Kirkpatrick will not see the equipment even it was dropped on him like an anvil in a Looney Tunes cartoon

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u/PyroIsSpai avatar

PyroIsSpai

OP

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2y ago

Kirkpatrick will not see the equipment even it was dropped on him like an anvil in a Looney Tunes cartoon

There's something profound about someone in the inner circle of a secret society, pretending to be someone of the public society, in order to convince the public that their own secret doesn't matter.

Or:

<https://i.imgur.com/RrG0NIg.jpeg>

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u/croninsiglos avatar

croninsiglos

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2y ago

No one, at all, has any data on this that AARO can see?

So did you find the radar records of what it recorded on that day or not?

It doesn't look like you found anything besides a description of the systems and not the actual data.

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u/Morto66 avatar

Morto66

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2y ago

. Evidence accuracy 0%

. Confidence in assessment 100%

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LordPennybag

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2y ago

78% of statistics are unreliably flexible objects.

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u/PyroIsSpai avatar

PyroIsSpai

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2y ago

Kirkpatrick claimed no data was recorded at the event.

This is just the public domain known systems on ONE boat of many, assessing the likelihood of it being operational during the incident, and if the incident would be in range of the systems.

Yes, and yes.

This is more evidence AARO lied to the public.

We need to know what text in the public version of the report differs in or is contradicted by the classified Congressional version. Just have Congress literally run a highlighter over the relevant public text.

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u/croninsiglos avatar

croninsiglos

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2y ago

That's not really what he said though... he said:

"None of that data was retained at the time, because there wasn't a data retention policy in place for the department."

I don't know of him ever claiming that no data was ever recorded.

Another quote: <https://x.com/MikeColangelo/status/1768344308862632274?s=20>

I think everything is contingent on him being wrong about people confiscating the tapes, otherwise, there's probably nothing left.

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2y ago

No one, at all, has any data on this that AARO can see?

It's cool that someone basically asked this exact question to him:

<https://www.metabunk.org/threads/sean-kirkpatrick-interview-with-daniel->

lavelle-at-the-guardian-transcript.13399/

If you don't wanna click because of the source, the quick answer is that they didn't have policies in place to retain this sort of data back then. One of the first things he did with AARO was to establish a data retention policy:

All that takes time, as far as Tic Tac is concerned. And there's a couple of other explanations that don't involve extraterrestrials that haven't been fully explored, but they aren't going to be able to because there's no data. You know, this is from years and years ago. None of that data was retained at the time, because there wasn't a data retention policy in place for the department. And the first thing ...

Daniel Lavelle 14:26

... is there one now?

Sean Kirkpatrick 14:28

There is. That was one of the first thing that I did when I stood up AARO was we put together a data retention policy and put it out to the Joint Staff. Joint Staff issued it along with the reporting requirements that we standardized last year. So all of that is out there. Now it's a question of what can they see and collect and how can they process all that data?

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WeAreAllHosts

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2y ago

I work military systems. Data storage was super expensive, consumed a lot of physical space, was heavy, and power hungry (SWaP) in the 80s and 90s when this tech was developed. It makes perfect sense to me that data retention was not a priority for the Navy when building these systems (I.e., data retention was reduced as a cost savings effort). Today data storage is cheap. Not so much back then.

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u/JackasaurusChance avatar

JackasaurusChance

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2y ago

... blink twice if you are in danger... ???

You do realize the FLIR video is from the literal Nimitz incident? It's literally stored data from ONE of the systems that was in operation. Was that the special plane that got the single recording device in a Carrier Fleet Group?

And you'll counter by saying, "NO! It's expensive to keep and store so you only do it if it's something important!" Something important like, say, and I'm just spit balling here, a formation of Unidentified Aerial Phenomena that interrupt your training exercise, and you send jets to investigate the signatures? Signatures so anomalous there's not just still scrutiny and debate about them 20 years later, but a sprawling investigation that seems to be picking up a lot of speed? Anomalous signatures that have already seen the Wing Commander testifying, under oath, to Congress?

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WeAreAllHosts

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2y ago

Uhh maybe because it's a camera!!! Literally no one has ever developed a camera that doesn't record its video.

And my man, someone gives you an informed opinion and you shit all over it. Good luck in life my friend.

And for reference, in 2001 I installed a 1 TB NetApp array and it cost just over \$1M. The system consumed every bit of space in a 42U rack (if you don't know what that means do some research). Today you can fit 1 TB on a thumb drive. So yes, data storage was super expensive when these systems were developed in the 80s and 90s.

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u/Camerahutuk avatar
Camerahutuk

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2y ago

The thing is the guys in the fleet, say people came for that data, specifically.

Patrick who was in charge of the data blocks is on the record on video...

<https://www.reddit.com/r/UFOs/s/5udsrwFhPw>

Patrick the second guy in the video above, explains the procedures that normally would happen and the complete disregard for the procedures when these officials who had flown in took it away without any of the usual chain of custody procedures under order from their superiors.

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7 more replies
resonantedomain

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2y ago

Can't test data if you destroy it.

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Windman772

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2y ago

I believe Kevin Day that the data was confiscated. That said, it's still plausible that SK couldn't find data even if Day is wrong. Just because data was recorded doesn't mean it's still available in 2024. It's been 20 years since the incident. It's quite possible that the Navy doesn't maintain digital data records that long. They could erase or record over the data after X number of years.

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u/ASearchingLibrarian avatar
ASearchingLibrarian

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2y ago

So they kept the short film for 13 years, and then in 2017 that short film was released from a repository which literally only has that one film, and 2 other short films (the short GIMBAL [sans the five other object] and GOFAST films), but that is all that was there in that repository, relating to incidents that interfered with aircraft carrier training in 2004, and 2015? Ok.

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Windman772

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2y ago

Good point. It would probably depend on if it was being managed within the Navy as an overarching UAP event or if it was just a bunch of people managing data on autopilot. How did Lue's group get it? Officially designated as UAP or was it leaked to him?

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1 more reply

u/fat_earth_ avatar

fat_earth_

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2y ago

Recall that Fravor said he had to big dick the tape back to his possession after some people on the Nimitz took it for shits and giggles. It's possible those people made a copy before Fravor got it back. It's also possible people on the princeton made a copy of the recording too, because that whole bunch of witnesses also stated they saw the flir1 recording. Whoever it was, they were likely the people who leaked it to "strangeland.com" or whatever and then it ended up as a story on above top secret from "the final theory."

Edit: Fravor himself said the tapes eventually got recorded over in his possession.

Also remember that Bigelow's AAWSAP/ AATIP hired Marine pilot and Nimitz witness Douglas "Cheeks" Kurth to write the "official/unofficial" report about the Nimitz incident. It's possible Kurth had a copy of the tape and provided it to Bigelow and Co. which found its way to Mellon and Elizondo through that group.

I feel like those are all ways the video could have made its way to the quasi "government" group (Bigelow/ Puthoff/ Davis/ Lacatski/ Elizondo/ etc.) without the legitimate "government" having any idea the tape existed.

This is only speculation about the flir video. The Nimitz incident radar data was said to be confiscated by persons in civilian attire and air force flight suits with officer insignia. This does not mean it was necessarily the air force responsible though... perhaps the Air Force uniforms were a disguise?

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Good journalism can break this open. Line up the ships and planes involved and ask about radar data one by one.

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SeaRevolutionary8652

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2y ago

Hey I love the use of AI for analysis, but I think if we're going to go this route it's important to show methodology (especially things like confidence ratings). Methodology meaning 1) model used, 2) prompt, 3) sources or attachments included in the context window, 4) custom instructions if relevant, 5) any other methods employed especially if done over API and not through the web interface.

Reason is this: AI output from all of the base models available (GPT-4 Turbo, Gemini 1.5 Pro, Claude 3 Opus, etc.) is really really good at some things, and not so great at others. When you ask an AI to give a confidence rating on an answer itself, without a separate defined algorithm for assessing confidence, it

is not giving you anything that is truly meaningful.

It's basically just saying "based on the information in my context window (meaning anything in that specific conversation so far and any sources you specifically had it reference), what number is statistically most likely to follow the phrase 'confidence rating'?".

Again, I want to emphasize that I think using AI to help assess all of the data out there on the UAP topic is awesome, but we need to be careful to get responses and methods to avoid being unintentionally misled.

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anomalkingdom

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2y ago

Most people have no idea how many eyes and sensors are involved in an aircraft carrier operation. They are insanely well protected.

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GortKlaatu_

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2y ago

Kirkpatrick asserts that tapes are reused and erased. Even if there were a million ships present, what makes you believe the data would still exist if it wasn't purposely kept?

This is the very reason AARO wants records retained and sent to AARO within 30 days.

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oswaldcopperpot

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2y ago

The Aaro report was such a blatant misconstrued truth I feel like they wanted it to be obvious.

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btcprint

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2y ago

We know it exists the Nimitz' radar operators said themselves -- helicopter landed, dudes came in and took everything.

Kirkpatrick should have said "daddy wouldn't let us touch it"

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True-Paint5513

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2y ago

Aw, shucks- everyone forgot to hit 'record'

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kemot88

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2y ago

Thanks. Because of quality post like yours this sub is still interesting and intriguing place.

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2y ago

This is such a friendly post. What kind of monsters are down voting you?

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Ok_Feedback_8124

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2y ago

It's great analysis, spot-on curation and prompt focus, and a stellar job of diffusion avoidance.

Too bad not one person with the power to investigate actually gives a single shiny flying fuckspank.

Go Catastrophic or Go Home.

That's my mood.

Good job tho...

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u/ProgrammerIcy7632 avatar
ProgrammerIcy7632

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2y ago

Excellent work! One of the best posts I've seen on here.

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2y ago

Officers unknown landed on the Nimitz very quickly - as in they were also monitoring the situation shore side - overruled a rear admiral and took all the tapes. Any bullshit about we lost them or didn't retain them is either a blatant lie or a level of incompetence not consistent with that action. So they are obviously lying. Since the lying liars of the USAF employ hundreds of actual professional social media liars I would highly suggest lying. Our tax dollars pissed away.

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u/undoingconpedibus avatar
undoingconpedibus

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2y ago

Great post, OP! Also, ppl underestimate their true potential in helping solve this complex phenomenon, especially with the tech tools available today!

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pharsee

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2y ago

Lol if there's equipment like this what are the chances all of it was turned off while the pilots were yelling about UAPs?

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Practical-Archer-564

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2y ago

Ask Kevin Day.

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u/what_i_really_think avatar
what_i_really_think

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2y ago

<https://investors.leidos.com/static-files/d681c3fa-9af4-4a5a-a6b8-6caf09f5e729>

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2y ago

<https://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/saic-and-others-pay-us-more-226-million-resolve-false-claims-allegations>

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u/Slow-Race9106 avatar
Slow-Race9106

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2y ago

For the record, I strongly suspect the radar data from that incident was taken by whichever three letter agency, but what Kirkpatrick was saying is that the tapes were erased and re-used, not that such data wasn't collected.

That seems reasonably plausible if there wasn't anything that significant about the event - although as I say, I don't believe it myself. But if the tapes were taken, the story that they were re-used (which probably is normal practice) would be great cover.

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JohnBooty

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2y ago

What I'd like to know about is the typical retention policy for data from such systems.

Obviously, those radars are receiving craptions of data every second. It would not be practical to log all of it in perpetuity. Hell, it's possible that maybe some of it is not typically logged at all, at least during training exercises close to home (which is what the Nimitz was doing at the time) as opposed to active deployment.

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u/speleothems avatar
speleothems

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2y ago

There is also meant to be a PowerPoint and longer (~12 minute?) video that the original ATS leaker claimed he had that weren't released alongside the original tictac video and event summary. I wonder if AARO tried to get those documents?

Weirdly the DoD claimed not to prosecute the original leaker because so many people had access to the ships server and those videos, from memory. Seems a bit contradictory that they claim that, but Kirkpatrick says that there is nothing more.

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u/OnceReturned avatar
OnceReturned

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2y ago

Yes, the ships have radar. What makes you think they would record and preserve the data, though? Certainly they're not recording and preserving all radar data from all platforms at all times. You could argue that they would save this data

because of the anomaly. Maybe. Maybe not. It would depend on the motivations of the person making that decision.

I'm playing devil's advocate.

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EbbNo7045

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2y ago

You know why that whistleblower is bullshit. Because he says US has UFOs but also claims it couldn't be Russia or China. If the US had ufo then we would have to assume other nations do and then assume the ufo we see are other nations. But they say for sure they know it's not other nations. So the Pentagon lying again to get trillions more

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u/Sonamdrukpa avatar
Sonamdrukpa

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2y ago

This is cool and all BUT FOR THE LOVE OF GOD CHAT GPT IS NOT A SOURCE OR A WAY OF ANALYZING DATA. You might as well be citing a dream you had. Wikipedia is fine, but what is up with this sub and treating language prediction bots like fucking oracles, Jesus Christ.

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u/PyroIsSpai avatar
PyroIsSpai
OP

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2y ago

If you feed it documents it dies quite well analyzing it. Need not free account.

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1 more reply
carbs293

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2y ago

You may be interested in what Lue Elizondo refers to as the "unofficial official report" on the Nimitz incident if you haven't read it yet already.

<https://s3.documentcloud.org/documents/20743466/nimitz-unredacted.pdf>

It doesn't have radar data per se but it talks about how the object was initially tracked via radar from the Princeton (AN/SPY-1) and an E2-Hawkeye (AN/APS-145). It also mentions that radar data is not normally recorded on the Hawkeye unless it is pre-coordinated.

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VolarRecords

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2y ago

Hell yes, OP. So cool to see so many smart MFers in this sub. Garry Nolan did say something about UFOs being an IQ litmus test.

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ApprenticeWrangler

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2y ago

Maybe an inverse one

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OccasinalMovieGuy

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2y ago

Sean Patrick and AARO did their job and release their findings to public, it's now time for other people to put up or shut up, present evidence that is convincing to people about ET existence, these sort of debates won't do anything, press, congressman is not going to look into these, they need sensational proof.

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2y ago

So, your saying that the assets of the US that were operating that day are ALL capable of capturing literally everything the tic tac did that day and ALL capable of recording data that would tell you everything you needed to know about the anomaly(down to calculating acceleration) buuut they don't want to tell us.hmmmm

My guess is that with ALL of the detection assets owned by the US (half of which are probably classified) They can see these things everywhere but they can't just up and tell the US public "Hey, we know we're spending trillions on your safety, but there are craft that pop into existence and steal people and we don't know where they go and we can't stop them". On top of possibly having murdered countless people(including one John Kennedy) and keeping the yokel on the people by LYING about free energy... you could say it's a colossal clusterfucknightmare for the pentagon rn.

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Monroe_Institute

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2y ago

Sean Kirkpatrick didn't even try to look into anything. He is a disinformation agent

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chamrockblarneystone

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2y ago

Its a snake with a tail in its mouth. Those pilots know what they saw. You cant explain away the pilots. People that fly multi million dollar aircraft dont speak out unless theyre absolutely sure of what theyre talking about. Which in this case is that they could not identify the object.

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u/TheDoon avatar

TheDoon

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2y ago

You are being massively disingenuous. At no point have I seen AARO say these ships didn't have radar system operating on that day or that the radar were not capable of tracking ships that far out from their location. It's my understanding they were either not allowed access to that classified data or didn't request it.

Very different to the whole meat of your post...which reads like clickbait.

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freesoloc2c

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2y ago

Whatever, it doesn't mean the navy records and stores radar data day to day for any reason.

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USS Nimitz (CVN-68) off the coast of San Diego in July 2009

History

United States

Name Nimitz

Namesake Chester W. Nimitz

Ordered 31 March 1967

Builder Newport News Shipbuilding

Laid down 22 June 1968

Launched 13 May 1972

Acquired 11 April 1975

Commissioned 3 May 1975

Reclassified CVN-68, 30 June 1975

Homeport Naval Base Kitsap

Identification

MMSI number: 303981000

Callsign: NMTZ

Hull number: CVN-68

Motto Teamwork, a Tradition

Nickname(s)

Old Salt

Uncle Chester

Status in active service

Badge

General characteristics

Class & type Nimitz-class aircraft carrier

Displacement 100,020 long tons (112,020 short tons)[1][2]

Length

Overall: 1,092 ft (332.8 m)

Waterline: 1,040 ft (317.0 m)

Beam

Overall: 252 ft (76.8 m)

Waterline: 134 ft (40.8 m)

Draft

Maximum navigational: 37 ft (11.3 m)

Limit: 41 ft (12.5 m)

Propulsion

2 × Westinghouse A4W nuclear reactors (HEU 93.5%)[3][4]

4 × steam turbines

4 × shafts

260,000 shp (190 MW)

Speed 31.5 knots (58.3 km/h; 36.2 mph)[5]

Range Unlimited distance; 20–25 years

Complement

Ship's company: 3,532

Air wing: 2,480

Sensors &

processing systems

AN/SPS-48E 3-D air search radar

AN/SPS-49(V)5 2-D air search radar

AN/SPQ-9B target acquisition radar

AN/SPN-46 air traffic control radars

AN/SPN-43C air traffic control radar

AN/SPN-41 landing aid radars

4 × Mk 91 NSSM guidance systems

4 × Mk 95 radars

Electronic warfare

& decoys

AN/SLQ-32A(V)4 countermeasures suite

SLQ-25A Nixie torpedo countermeasures

Armament

2 × Sea Sparrow

2 × RIM-116 Rolling Airframe Missile
2 × PHALANX CIWS (Close-In Weapons System) Gatling guns
4 × MK 38 25mm autocannon turrets
10 × .50 cal turret emplacements

Aircraft carried 90 fixed wing and helicopters

USS Nimitz (CVN-68) is an aircraft carrier of the United States Navy, and the lead ship of her class. One of the largest warships in the world, she was laid down, launched, and commissioned as CVAN-68, "aircraft carrier, attack, nuclear powered", but she was later redesignated as CVN-68, "aircraft carrier, multi-mission, nuclear-powered", on 30 June 1975, as part of a fleet-wide realignment that year.

The ship was named after World War II Pacific fleet commander Chester W. Nimitz, USN, (1885–1966), who was the Navy's third fleet admiral. She is the only Nimitz-class carrier whose official name is just the surname of the person for whom she is named. Nimitz had her homeport at Naval Station Norfolk until 1987, when she was relocated to Naval Station Bremerton in Washington (now part of Naval Base Kitsap). Following her refueling and complex overhaul in 2001, her home port was changed to Naval Air Station North Island in San Diego County, California. The home port of Nimitz was again moved to Naval Station Everett in Washington in 2012.

In January 2015, Nimitz changed home port from Everett back to Naval Base Kitsap.[6] With the inactivation of USS Enterprise in 2012 and decommissioning in 2017, Nimitz is now the oldest serving aircraft carrier in the world. She will be decommissioned in 2026.[7]

Construction

Catherine Nimitz Lay christened Nimitz on 13 May 1972.

Nimitz was authorized by the U.S. Congress in fiscal year 1967 and Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co. in Newport News, Virginia, was awarded the \$106.5 million contract (equivalent to \$1004.31 million today).[when?] Her keel was laid down on 22 June 1968. The vessel was christened on 13 May 1972, by Catherine Nimitz Lay, the daughter of the late Admiral Nimitz, six years after his death. Nimitz was delivered to the Navy in 1975, and was commissioned at Naval Station Norfolk on 3 May 1975, by the 38th President of the United States, Gerald R. Ford.[8]

Nimitz Carrier Strike Group

Nimitz is part of Carrier Strike Group Eleven (CSG-11) with Carrier Air Wing Seventeen (CVW-17) embarked, with Nimitz as the flagship of the strike group and the home of the commander of Destroyer Squadron 9.

Ships of Destroyer Squadron 9

USS Curtis Wilbur (DDG-54)
USS Fitzgerald (DDG-62)
USS Gridley (DDG-101)
USS Wayne E. Meyer (DDG-108)
USS Lenah Sutcliffe Higbee (DDG-123)

Squadrons of CVW-17

USS Nimitz Air Power Demonstration

Strike Fighter Squadron 22 (VFA-22) "Fighting Redcocks" with Boeing F/A-18F Super Hornets

Strike Fighter Squadron 94 (VFA-94) "Mighty Shrikes" with F/A-18E Super Hornets

Strike Fighter Squadron 137 (VFA-137) "Kestrels" with F/A-18E Super Hornets

Strike Fighter Squadron 146 (VFA-146) "Blue Diamonds" with F/A-18E Super Hornets

Electronic Attack Squadron 139 (VAQ-139) "Cougars" with Boeing EA-18G Growlers

Carrier Airborne Command & Control Squadron 121 (VAW-121) "Bluetails" with

Northrop Grumman E-2D Advanced Hawkeyes

Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron 6 (HSC-6) "Screaming Indians" with Sikorsky

MH-60S Seahawks

Helicopter Maritime Strike Squadron 73 (HSM-73) "Battle Cats" with MH-60R Seahawks

Fleet Logistics Support Squadron 40 Detachment 3 (VRC-40) "Rawhides" with
Grumman C-2 Greyhound
Service history
1970s

Nimitz on her first deployment in 1976 alongside nuclear-powered cruisers
California and South Carolina

Nimitz (right) alongside HMS Ark Royal at Norfolk Naval Station in August 1978
USS Nimitz first deployed to the Mediterranean Sea on 7 July 1976, with Carrier
Air Wing 8 embarked in company with the nuclear-powered cruisers USS South
Carolina and USS California. In November 1976, Nimitz was awarded the Battle "E"
from Commander, Naval Air Force U.S. Atlantic Fleet, for being the most
efficient and foremost aircraft carrier in the Atlantic Fleet. The cruise was
uneventful, and the carrier returned to Norfolk, Virginia, on 7 February 1977.

A second uneventful Mediterranean cruise was conducted from 1 December 1977 to
20 July 1978. The third deployment began on 10 September 1979, to the
Mediterranean. The ship moved to the Indian Ocean in response to the Iran
hostage crisis in which the U.S. Embassy in Tehran, Iran, was overtaken and 52
hostages were held. Prior to this trip, the ship took part in the shooting of
the 1980 film The Final Countdown, whose story was specifically set aboard the
Nimitz. After four months on station, Operation Evening Light was launched from
Nimitz's decks in an attempt to rescue the U.S. Embassy staff. The mission was
aborted after a helicopter crashed at a refueling point in the Iranian desert.
The ship returned home 26 May 1980, having spent 144 days at sea.

1980s

On 26 May 1981, a Marine Corps EA-6B Prowler assigned to Carrier Air Wing 8
(CVW-8) crashed on the flight deck, killing 14 crewmen and injuring 45 others.
[9] The Prowler was fuel-critical after a "bolter" (missed approach), and its
crash and the subsequent fire and explosions destroyed or damaged 19 other
aircraft.[10][11] Autopsies showed later that the pilot had had six times the
normal level of the sedating antihistamine medication brompheniramine in his
blood.[12] Despite having no connection to the accident, the media focused on
the autopsy results of several members of the Nimitz's enlisted flight deck crew
who were killed, who tested positive for marijuana. An article by Robert
Reinhold in the 17 June 1981 edition of The New York Times reported, "Experts at
the National Institute on Drug Abuse say that it would probably be impossible to
establish conclusively that any of the Nimitz crew had been smoking marijuana on
the night of the crash because the test does not directly detect the component
of marijuana smoke that acts on the brain. Because the metabolites may persist
in the blood for many days, the test may detect marijuana that was used many
days earlier, long after the effects have worn off".[13] As a result, President
Ronald Reagan instituted a "Zero Tolerance" drug policy across all of the U.S.
armed services, which started the mandatory drug testing of all U.S. military
personnel.[14]

Wreck of an EA-6B Prowler after it crashed during a night landing, 1981
Nimitz deployed again to the Mediterranean on 3 August 1981. The ship, in
company with USS Forrestal, conducted a Freedom of Navigation exercise in
international waters in the Gulf of Sidra near Libya on 18 and 19 August 1981.
On the morning of 19 August 1981, two Grumman F-14 Tomcats of VF-41 were engaged
by two Libyan Su-22s, resulting in the two Libyan aircraft being shot down in
what became known as the Gulf of Sidra incident.

Nimitz's fourth deployment, from 10 November 1982 to 20 May 1983, was to the
Caribbean Sea and the Mediterranean Sea. Nimitz deployed for a fifth time on 8
March 1985. On 14 June 1985, two Lebanese gunmen hijacked TWA Flight 847, which
carried 153 passengers and crew and included Americans. In response, Nimitz was
deployed to the coast of Lebanon, where the ship remained until August 1985. The
embarked Airwing 8 flew continuous sorties for 67 days, bombing several sites in
Beirut, including the runways of Beirut Rafic Hariri International Airport. The

ship returned to Norfolk on 4 October 1985.

Duration: 11 minutes and 47 seconds.11:47

"Sea Legs" (1980) F-14 carrier operations and capabilities information film reel, featuring USS Nimitz.

Nimitz, again with CVW-8 embarked, departed Norfolk for the sixth and final Mediterranean deployment on 30 December 1986. After four months and numerous Mediterranean port visits, the carrier crossed the equator en route to Rio de Janeiro. From Rio de Janeiro, she proceeded south around Cape Horn and into the Pacific Ocean. After a brief stop in San Diego, to offload the East Coast air wing, Nimitz arrived at her new home port of Bremerton, Washington, on 2 July 1987.

Nimitz deployed to the Western Pacific with Carrier Air Wing 9 embarked on 2 September 1988. During the 1988 Olympic Games in Seoul, Nimitz provided security off the coast of South Korea, then in October, operated in the North Arabian Sea, participating in Operation Earnest Will, the protection of reflagged Kuwaiti tankers. On 30 November 1988, while in the Arabian Sea, a 20 mm cannon accidentally fired during maintenance, striking a KA-6 Intruder. The ensuing fire spread to six other aircraft, and two sailors were killed. Nimitz returned to Bremerton on 2 March 1989.

1990s

On 25 February 1991, Nimitz departed Bremerton for the Persian Gulf in relief of USS Ranger in the aftermath of Operation Desert Storm, returning to Bremerton on 24 August 1991. Nimitz again deployed to the Persian Gulf on 1 February 1993, in support of Operation Southern Watch, returning on 1 August 1993.

Nimitz (left) cruising with Independence and Port Royal in the Sea of Japan in September 1997

On 27 November 1995, Nimitz deployed to the Western Pacific, Indian Ocean, and Persian Gulf with Carrier Air Wing Nine (CVW-9). In March 1996, the ship patrolled the waters off Taiwan amid missile tests conducted by the Chinese in the area, becoming the first American warship to pass through the Taiwan Strait since 1976. Nimitz also cruised the Persian Gulf in support of Southern Watch prior to returning from deployment on 20 May 1996.

Between 14 and 24 July 1997, Nimitz participated in Joint Task Force Exercise 97-2 (JTFEX 97-2) off the coast of Southern California, which also served as a "Revolution in Strike Warfare" demonstration. The latter event was designed to demonstrate the capability of an aircraft carrier and an embarked air wing to project carrier-based airpower into littoral warfare.[8] On 20 July 1997, Nimitz and CVW-9 began a high-intensity strike campaign. When flight operations were completed four days later, Nimitz and CVW-9 had carried out 771 strike sorties while dropping 1,337 bombs on target. CVW-9 flew 975 fixed-wing sorties during this four-day surge operation. Almost 80% of the sorties flown were strike sorties, with strike support accounting for another 10%. F/A-18 Hornet strike fighters flew nearly 80% of the strike sorties. Of the 771 strike sorties, 727 were loaded with ordnance, while 44 were electronic support by EA-6B Prowlers. During this four-day period, only a portion of the medium-range interdiction strikes required tanking support. KC-135 and KC-130 tanker aircraft provided most of this support. S-3 Vikings conducted recovery tanking and supplied more than one-third of the fuel passed to CVW-9 aircraft during this surge operation. [15][16] This surge had been preceded by a 16-hour preparation after undergoing four days that had generated about 700 fixed-winged sorties.[16][17] A following study by the Center for Naval Analyses determined that Nimitz and CVW-9 could have maintained this high-sortie operational tempo for another 12 to 24 hours before requiring equipment maintenance, with rest for the crews while ordnance and aviation fuel stocks were replenished.[18]

On 1 September 1997, Nimitz began an around-the-world cruise, again supporting Southern Watch, which ended in Newport News, Virginia, on 2 March 1998. She spent the next three years undergoing a nuclear refueling and complex overhaul

that ended on 25 June 2001.

2000s

Monitor showing data about Nimitz

On 21 September 2001,[19] after sea trials in the Virginia Capes, Nimitz began to transit around South America to her new home port of NAS North Island in San Diego, California, arriving there on 13 November 2001. Aircraft from Carrier Air Reserve Wing 20 were embarked for the transit. From January to May 2002, a four-month post-shakedown maintenance availability was completed at North Island; during this time, an advanced combat direction system was installed.

Nimitz with the ships Bridge and Princeton during Operation Iraqi Freedom, 15 April 2003.

Nimitz's 11th operational deployment began on 3 March 2003.[20] The group relieved USS Abraham Lincoln in the Persian Gulf in mid-April 2003, launching Carrier Air Wing 11 aircraft sorties over Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) and Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. She returned to San Diego on 5 November 2003. Nimitz and CVW-11 were awarded the 2003 Battle "E"[21] and Flatley Award in early 2004.[22]

In November 2004, Nimitz was contacted by USS Princeton, which was tracking reported unidentified flying objects. Princeton subsequently contacted two Navy F/A-18F fighters from Nimitz, whose cockpit instrumentation recorded data and imagery that some pilots interpreted as an object accelerating and maneuvering at extraordinary speeds. The incident was publicized in December 2017 along with details of the Advanced Aviation Threat Identification Program.[23]

Nimitz, again with CVW-11 embarked, deployed to the Persian Gulf on 7 May 2005, returning on 8 November 2005.[24] This deployment marked three decades of service, and was depicted in the Emmy Award-winning 2008 PBS documentary series Carrier.[25] In June 2006, Nimitz was awarded the 2005 Battle "E".[26]

Lt. Cmdr. David Bynum, a Navy chaplain aboard Nimitz, passed out happy face sponge balls to the students of CSI High School for the Deaf in Chennai, India during a community relations visit in July 2007.

The carrier departed North Island for her 13th deployment on 2 April 2007, to the Arabian Sea, relieving USS Dwight D. Eisenhower in support of OIF.[27] The carrier anchored off Chennai, India on 2 July 2007, as part of efforts to expand bilateral defense cooperation between India and the United States.[28] Sailors participated in community work in Chennai prior to departing, on 5 July 2007, along with the destroyer USS Pinckney towards the Persian Gulf, and then returned to North Island on 30 September 2007.[29]

On 24 January 2008, Nimitz deployed to the Pacific for a "surge"-deployment.[30]

On 9 February 2008, two Russian Tu-95 Bear bombers overflowed the carrier in the Western Pacific.[31] Four F/A-18C Hornets were launched when the bombers were 500 miles (800 km) away from the US ships, and intercepted the bombers 50 miles (80 km) south of Nimitz. Two F/A-18s trailed one of the bombers, which twice flew over the deck of the carrier at an altitude of 2,000 feet (610 m), while the other two F/A-18s trailed another Tu-95 circling about 50 miles (80 km) away from the carrier. Reportedly, no radio communication occurred between the American and Russian aircraft. According to the Department of Defense, one of the two aircraft was said to have flown above Nimitz at an altitude of 2,000 feet (610 m). On the same day, Russian aircraft entered Japanese airspace, which caused the Japanese to raise protest to the Russian ambassador in Tokyo.[32]

Again, on 5 March 2008, a Russian bomber came within 3 to 5 nautical miles (6 to 9 km) and flew 2,000 feet (610 m) above Nimitz, and the battle group. Two F/A-18 fighters intercepted the Russian aircraft and escorted it out of the area.[31]

Nimitz was awarded the Navy Battle "E" for battle efficiency for 2007 along with

the Ney award for food service excellence, and returned to her home port of San Diego on 3 June 2008.

The Nimitz Strike Group, including CVW-11, departed the US for a scheduled Western Pacific deployment on 31 July 2009,[33] and began to fly combat missions in support of Operation Enduring Freedom on 21 September.[34]

2010s

In January 2010, while in the Persian Gulf, the ship was awarded the Meritorious Unit Commendation for back-to-back deployments in support of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan in 2007 and 2008. The award was presented by Admiral Gary Roughead in a ceremony on the ship on 6 January 2010.[35]

Nimitz sails in formation with Chosin, Sampson, Pinckney, and Rentz, 15 February 2010.

Nimitz visited Hong Kong for five days in February 2010 to allow the crew to rest and visit the city. The visit occurred despite China previously preventing a visit by the carrier USS Kitty Hawk.[36][37]

On 9 December 2010, the Navy formally announced that Everett, Washington, was to be the new home port for Nimitz.[38] This move was expected to save the Navy \$100 million.[39] On 9 March 2012, Nimitz arrived at her new homeport of Naval Station Everett after spending nearly a week at sea conducting postoverhaul sea trials.[40]

An MV-22 Osprey of VMM-165 lands on Nimitz in October 2012

In March 2012, Nimitz arrived at the new home port of Naval Station Everett in Washington after more than a year of maintenance work in Bremerton, replacing sister carrier Abraham Lincoln.[41] On 3 August 2012, Nimitz departed from Pearl Harbor after a two-day port call, arriving at NAS North Island on 9 August 2012 to begin Fleet Replacement Squadron carrier qualifications.[19] On 6 October 2012, a Bell Boeing V-22 Osprey tilt-rotor aircraft from squadron VMM-165 landed and refueled on board Nimitz. This operation was part of an evaluation of the feasibility of the MV-22 as a potential replacement for the C-2 Greyhound carrier onboard delivery cargo transport aircraft.[42][43]

Inflatable boat approaches Nimitz during a search-and-rescue drill, 7 September 2013.

The BBC reported that Nimitz was located in the Persian Gulf, ready to contribute to an operation against Syria when President Obama ordered a military strike. Two days later, it reported that the carrier task group had been rerouted westwards across the Arabian Sea.[44][45]

Nimitz, after eight months at sea, reportedly transited the Suez Canal on 20 October 2013, into the U.S. 6th Fleet area of responsibility, where the Navy intended to keep her for a few weeks, conducting joint training with allied nations before returning home.[46][47] Nimitz returned to Everett on 16 December 2013.[48]

In late 2014, following the completion of work-up qualifications, Nimitz participated in her first deployment, a two-week multinational fleet exercise involving the Third Fleet, as well as ships from the Royal Canadian Navy and JMSDF.[49] Following the conclusion of the exercise on 3 November, the first F-35C Lightning II to land on an aircraft carrier recovered aboard Nimitz to begin a two-week Development Testing I deployment. This had a pair of aircraft from VX-23 undertaking carrier operations of launch, recovery, and handling aboard ship in both day and night conditions.[50][51] The initial deployment was completed on 14 November 2014.[52] In 2015, Nimitz transferred to Bremerton to undergo a 16-month maintenance cycle.[53]

On 1 June 2017, Nimitz left Naval Base Kitsap for her next scheduled deployment.

[54] This deployment was against ISIS in Iraq and Syria. Her F/A-18s played an important role in the Battle of Tal Afar, providing precision air support for advancing Iraqi soldiers.[55]

On 1 March 2018, Nimitz entered dry dock at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard for 10 months of overhaul.[56]

2020s

Nimitz enters Apra Harbor, Guam, in June 2020

In April 2020, a coronavirus (likely COVID-19) was reported to have spread to Nimitz when the first case was reported on 7 April.[57][58] One sailor had received a positive result the previous week after exhibiting symptoms, and was subsequently placed in isolation and removed from the ship.[57] Another crew member also tested positive, but was reported to have not been working on the ship.[58] On 27 April, Nimitz completed a 27-day quarantine and began COMPTUEX training.[59]

On 5 July 2020, the ship was deployed in the South China Sea along with USS Ronald Reagan. On 31 December, acting Secretary of Defense Chris Miller ordered Nimitz to return directly to her home port following a nearly 10-month deployment in the Fifth Fleet area of operation.[60] The carrier was at the time supporting the withdrawal of U.S. troops in Somalia along with USS Makin Island and her amphibious ready group.[61] On 3 January 2021, in an abrupt reversal, acting Defense Secretary Miller ordered Nimitz to redeploy due to "Recent threats issued by Iranian leaders against President Trump and other U.S. government officials." [62]

In May 2022, Nimitz led Carrier Strike Group 11 in the Eastern Pacific Ocean. [63] On 28 November 2022, Nimitz departed Kitsap and sailed to San Diego to pick up the carrier strike group leadership.[64] She left San Diego on 3 December for her Pacific deployment leading Carrier Strike Group 11 and embarking Carrier Air Wing 17.[65]

Nimitz logged her 350,000th arrested landing on 22 April 2023.[66]

Flight deck of Nimitz in June 2025

After the events of Operation Rising Lion and Operation True Promise 3, Nimitz and her accompanying strike group were en route to the Middle East.[67][68]

On 17 June 2025 in response to the Israel-Iran conflict, Nimitz moved south from the South China Sea through the Singapore Strait and the Malacca Strait before entering the Indian Ocean, likely heading for the Middle East to bolster US defenses in the region.[69] On 26 October, in separate incidents, an MH-60R Seahawk helicopter and an F/A-18F Super Hornet fighter jet operating from the aircraft carrier crashed in the South China Sea.[70] These two incidents occurred 30 minutes apart. Both crews were safely recovered. The cause of the crashes is still unknown and currently under investigation.[71]

Planned retirement

The Nimitz-class carriers have a lifespan around 50 years. Estimates on decommissioning for Nimitz herself were updated in April 2022, with the Navy Press Corps indicating, "USS Nimitz (CVN 68) was planned to be removed from the battle force in fiscal year (FY) 2025, when the Ship Terminal Off-load Program (STOP) begins, with inactivation scheduled to begin in 2027." [72]

In March 2025, the Navy announced that Nimitz would deploy one last time, then arrive at her new homeport of Norfolk Naval Station in Virginia no later than 12 April 2026. At that point, she will begin the one-year STOP process before shifting to Newport News Shipbuilding for initial defueling and deactivation. [73]

Overhauls

October 1975 to December 1975 - Post Shakedown Availability
 May 1977 to July 1977 - Selected Restricted Availability
 October 1978 to January 1979 - Selected Restricted Availability
 October 1980 to January 1981 - Selected Restricted Availability
 April 1982 to June 1982 - Selected Restricted Availability - waist catapult
 bridle catcher removed.
 June 1983 to July 1984 - Complex Overhaul - forward port sponson added; 3 Mk-25
 BPDMS replaced with 2 Mk-29; 3 CIWS added; SPS-49 search radar replaces SPS-43.
 November 1985 to March 1986 - Selected Restricted Availability - forward port
 sponson changed/enlarged.
 August 1987 to February 1988 - Selected Restricted Availability
 August 1989 to March 1990 - Selected Restricted Availability
 October 1991 to May 1992 - Selected Restricted Availability
 December 1993 to January 1995 - Selected Restricted Availability - port bow
 catapult bridle catcher removed.
 June 1996 to January 1997 - Selected Restricted Availability
 May 1998 to June 2001 - Refueling and Complex Overhaul - starboard bow catapult
 bridle catcher removed; top two levels of the island replaced; new antenna mast;
 new radar tower; RAM replaced CIWS at forward port sponson; RAM added to aft
 starboard sponson; 2 CIWS at island/stern removed.
 February 2004 to August 2004 - Planned Incremental Availability - catwalk
 grating was replaced and flight deck resurfaced.
 March 2006 to September 2006 - Planned Incremental Availability
 July 2008 to January 2009 - Planned Incremental Availability
 November 2010 to March 2012 - Planned Incremental Availability - 2 CIWS added to
 forward starboard sponson enlargement/new port stern sponson.
 January 2015 to October 2016 - Planned Incremental Availability
 March 2018 to (approximately) May 2019 - Docked Planned Incremental Availability
 March 2021 to November 2021 - Planned Incremental Availability
 Awards and decorations
 Bronze starBronze star
 Silver starBronze star Bronze star Bronze starBronze starBronze starBronze star
 Bronze star Silver starSilver starBronze star
 Navy Unit Commendation with two stars Meritorious Unit Commendation Navy E
 Ribbon with
 four Battle "E" devices
 Navy Expeditionary Medal
 with six stars National Defense Service Medal
 with one star Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal
 with four stars
 Southwest Asia Service Medal Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal
 with one star Sea Service Deployment Ribbon
 with eleven stars
 In popular culture
 The Final Countdown, a 1980 alternate history science fiction film about a
 contemporary aircraft carrier that travels through time to the day before the
 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor, was set and filmed on board the real-life USS
 Nimitz.[74]

Nimitz is the focus of The Big Aircraft Carrier in Little Mammoth Media's BIG
 Adventure Series. In it, they talk how the navy ship works for children
 including a complete tour of the carrier, how the sailors and pilots work and
 even all the training they undertake.[75]

The PBS series Carrier followed the May–November 2005 deployment of Nimitz to
 the Persian Gulf, documenting the life and shipboard routines of the crew over
 ten episodes.[76]

See also

Carrier Strike Group Eleven

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Daniel Lavelle just published an article about UAP and Sean Kirkpatrick.
<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2024/mar/22/ufologists-sean-kirkpatrick-pentagon-report-uaps>

He shared the audio of the interview with me, along with an AI transcript. I've edited the transcript to correct numerous AI errors (a combination of poor audio from Kirkpatrick and a Mancunian accent from Lavelle). The full (and very interesting) transcript follows, and the audio is attached.
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Note that because this is still largely an AI transcript, there's the possibility there are some errors I missed – so refer to the audio. There are also a few parts that are unclear in the original audio which I've tried to note inline. Please let me know if you find errors.

Daniel Lavelle 00:00
Hey, how are you?

Sean Kirkpatrick 00:01
Doing all right.

Daniel Lavelle 00:06
Well, then, first of all, thanks so much for agreeing to talk to me. I know, you probably don't like doing interviews I gathered from the podcast you were on. So I'm grateful.

Sean Kirkpatrick 00:22
Ok

Daniel Lavelle 00:24
Can we just maybe start with your background? Like, what is your background academically? And what drew you to science in the first place?

Sean Kirkpatrick 00:36
So I have a PhD in physics. My background is mostly in condensed matter physics, lasers, optics, remote sensing, that sort of thing. I've always wanted to be a physicist. So, ever since high school, or even before, never known doing anything else. And as a physicist, got drawn into military and intelligence research, and from there moved over into the intelligence community for the last 25 some odd years.

Daniel Lavelle 01:16
And what was it about UFOs or UAPs, that interested you?

Sean Kirkpatrick 01:25
Nothing, actually, it was an assignment. So as senior Intel military officers get given assignments. This one I was asked to do, by the undersecretary, the undersecretary of intelligence. And when those kinds of people ask, it's usually a good thing to say yes, because generally, they don't like it if you say no. But, you know, truth be told, it's an interesting area only because it is a ... looking for something that is unknown is really the same thing in sciences, it is in the intelligence community, and you are trying to find unknown things and determine what they are. So as a physicist, and intelligence officer, that's sort of the sweet spot of things to go do. Which is interesting. Keeping in

mind, you know, the, the office was asked to do two missions, both an operational mission and a historical research mission. And so the operational mission is where I would have preferred to spend most of my time. Historical mission was what's necessary by law.

Daniel Lavelle 03:03

So was it, is it unusual for you to collaborate with a civilian scientists like Avi Loeb.

Sean Kirkpatrick 03:11

So understand that one of the things that we were charged to do was normalise this research area and get it out of the conspiracy minded community and put it more into science and technology and national security and safety communities. This is where I think there was a big push to try to normalise this, get it away from the sensationalism and put some rigour behind it. So to put rigour behind something like that, we've got to get the science community involved. Scientific community doesn't want to be involved because of the conspiracy, laden baggage that comes with it. So part of this was working with select groups across the academic community to try to get them into putting some scientific rigour behind their thinking and getting some of them to put some scientific rigour into analysis and hypotheses. So the way the scientific method works, right, got a hypothesis. You get signatures and data that you expect to come out of that hypothesis. You go and you measure that. And if your data matches, then your theory is is correct. Your hypothesis is correct. If it doesn't match, then it's not. So part of the plan was to get the scientific community to start documenting, in peer reviewed journals, different aspects of the the hypothetical Extra Terrestrial hypothesis if you will. So, Avi, being one of the key scientific figures that is trying to prove advanced civilizations out in the universe. The purpose of engaging with him was to get him to put on paper, the signatures associated with his hypothesis, if you actually look through that paper which was never finished, because it was put out as draft before we finished writing it.

Sean Kirkpatrick 05:43

You'll see going to the back end of that, you know, the math and the physics of, okay, look, if there's something that's moving around, as quickly as people believe, it would leave very specific physical signatures. If those physical signatures are not there, when we go up to measure it, then that's probably not what that thing is doing. So that was the whole purpose of that exercise, was to get that documented, eventually put into a peer review journal. Now that one did not go. I did do another one with the University of Utah that came out around the holidays. And there's there's another one that we're finishing up right now that's looking at kind of statistical correlations of environmental factors, and other aspects of observations that have to be factored in to any good scientific theory you have to actually get through all that.

Daniel Lavelle 06:50

And the prevailing theory now is that it's, well, I say prevailing, it's the one that has the consensus, I suppose is that it's a comet, with, but, why are they why are they wrong about that?

Sean Kirkpatrick 07:04

You mean Avi's ...?

Daniel Lavelle 07:06

No. Avi thinks it's a artificial interstellar object. But I think other researchers suggested it's a comet that's emitting small amounts of gas from an icy core, which is why you don't see a tail because it's a small amount.

Sean Kirkpatrick 07:23

And if that's what fits the data, then that is, what is the scientific theory that is supported by the data. The paper that I was working with him on was to put math to his theory? So that it could either be proved or disproved? And it's been disproved.

Daniel Lavelle 07:46

And have you been following his expedition in the Pacific?

Sean Kirkpatrick 07:51

I did

Daniel Lavelle 07:52

And what do you make of the components of the Spherules? He's found that, he's his claim is that they're, they have a unique composition that you don't usually find on the Earth's surface.

Sean Kirkpatrick 08:07

I haven't read the scientific analysis. And I haven't seen the rest of the communities analysis and peer review at that. So I would leave it to the scientific community to do that, put it out in publication. And then I take a look at it.

Daniel Lavelle 08:23

Sure. So let's jump straight into the ARRO stuff. Can I talk about where this all started? I mean, for the public, this most recent spate of the UFO craze, if you like, with the New York Times article. So those three videos that came out, do we know what Gimbal is now? Because that's the one that everyone goes to the one that looks like a flying saucer that rotates? Do you now have an idea of what that is?

Sean Kirkpatrick 08:57

We have again, we have had a hypothesis of this is how the sensor operates on that particular platform. There are different types of sensors that do different things we were in, at least when I was there I was in the process of actually obtaining one of those to measure it. Because again, it's a [unclear] what can you recreate? We did not get around to doing that before I retired, so I don't know where they are on that. But that is most likely a senso, I won't say it's not an artefact, but that's just how the sensor operates. We see that in a number of different other sensors. But that needs to be proven. Prove it and get, actually go get that platform, put it in imaging chamber, and recreate it that [unclear]

Daniel Lavelle 10:02

One of the theories out there put forward by a sceptic called Mick West is that it's glare from a heat source. Is that accurate? Do you think? In the case of Gimbal,

Sean Kirkpatrick 10:16

You mean as what the source is source could be any number of things, right? The source, and even a weather balloon will give off that kind of glare if it's Mylar, it's got enough shiny [unclear] on it, the sun's just right. So all of that kind of analysis has to go into those kinds of videos. Unfortunately, there's not really enough, a whole lot of the information that we need to do that level of analysis is not in that video: the raw video, the raw data, and that raw data that's not available.

Daniel Lavelle 10:56

And that video cuts off for the public, but is the more of that video that you've seen.

Sean Kirkpatrick 11:03

No, there's no more.

Daniel Lavelle 11:04

It just cuts off where it cuts off.

Sean Kirkpatrick 11:07

That's when they stopped recording.

Daniel Lavelle 11:09

Okay. And what about go fast? I mean, again, debunkers would say it's not going fast at all, it's going quite slowly, and it's a lot higher than they think.

Sean Kirkpatrick 11:20

Yeah, so the Go Fast one was analysed with the NASA team. And it's definitely just parallax. Now that has to be verified with with AARO and then they will put it out on their website when they get to that. But that's not a ..., everything I saw from the NASA analysis was accurate to everything else that we've seen parallax show up in.

Daniel Lavelle 11:53

And tic tac, what's your view on that?

Sean Kirkpatrick 11:59

My view on Tic Tac hasn't changed since the last time I talked about it. There's no data, there's not enough information to ever come to a conclusion. So we can speculate about it all we want. But you know, what's important for folks to understand is that these these trained military pilots, they do see things that they may not understand what they see any more than their sensors understand what they see. And that doesn't mean that it's unusual, or it's exotic, or it's extraterrestrial, it just means that they don't understand what they're looking at right then.

Sean Kirkpatrick 12:41

In the case of the tic tac, there's a lot of other hypotheses that's that are still there that people tend to gloss over, like submersible launched vehicles, other radar artefacts, I mean, one of the things that people, again, don't don't fully appreciate, is a lot of the stuff that we see in these ranges. And I don't want to speak to tic tac in particular, but all of them, come from when there's when there's these weird anomalous radar signatures. What people don't understand is that these are test wings. Test wings are testing new capabilities. And so new radars or new radar waveforms, get artefacts in them. And that's why you're out there testing them to try to figure out how do you optimise it so that it's working so that it can be used in regular operations. Some of these are just the fact that, hey, they're testing a new radar. And you don't know what what it's doing, and so you get it sorted out, and you have to dig into that data.

Sean Kirkpatrick 13:59

All that takes time, as far as Tic Tac is concerned. And there's a couple of other explanations that don't involve extraterrestrials that haven't been fully explored, but they aren't going to be able to because there's no data. You know, this is from years and years ago. None of that data was retained at the time, because there wasn't a data retention policy in place for the department. And the first thing ...

Daniel Lavelle 14:26

... is there one now?

Sean Kirkpatrick 14:28

There is. That was one of the first thing that I did when I stood up AARO was we put together a data retention policy and put it out to the Joint Staff. Joint Staff issued it along with the reporting requirements that we standardized last year. So all of that is out there. Now it's a question of what can they see and collect and how can they process all that data?

Daniel Lavelle 14:57

And how did it A typical day unfolds at AARO I mean, do you just reach out to witnesses? Do people reach out to you? How did you go about your daily business? You know,

Sean Kirkpatrick 15:10

Well, are you talking about the historical research? Or are you talking about operational mission?

Daniel Lavelle 15:15

Well, I'd say contemporary information. Yeah.

Sean Kirkpatrick 15:21

So, on the operational mission. So every day, all of the reporting from the services is collected and gone through and logged if there are any cases that are recorded as UAP, and turned into data files. And a lot of this is data processing and data manage and understanding what we have to work with. Now understand, you got to understand some of the new guidance that we had put out, takes time to implement. So other services have to figure out how they're going to retain all this data and how they're going to transmit it to AARO and to the relevant combatant commands. So the other thing is, you got all the combatant commands that need to also know what's going on in their area of responsibility. So all of that was in play.

But in a typical day, any of those reports that were coming in, from the different services would get logged, turned into cases, there'd be a quick look through on what, you know, what data was available, and whether or not it rose to a level of priority, where we would want to move that up in the list of analysis. That's just the reporting and analysis. And there's the collection management, align all of our collection capabilities to try and search and find any of these things. There's the S&T line of effort where we're looking at the science and the technology across the globe. Are there any new cutting edge technologies? Are there things that we can use for tracking and detection? Are there things that other people are working on that might meet some of these signatures that we're seeing?

Sean Kirkpatrick 17:27

You know, one of the things that I talked about last year was, you know, people, sometimes you know, these pilots say, Hey, I saw something that it looks like it was manoeuvring, and it doesn't look like it had any means of propulsion, there's no means of propulsion, visible means of manoeuvring? Well, there's lots of technologies that are state of the art today, and have been for the last decade or two that would present those kinds of signatures,

Daniel Lavelle 17:59

really!

Sean Kirkpatrick 18:00

And so just trying to understand what's the current state of the art of technologies that are out there is important piece of this right? Understanding how do..., what's advanced aerospace platforms look like? There are commercial drone companies that are that are pushing the state of the art that that people just need to understand and recognise, you know, this this whole thing about the cubes in a sphere?

Daniel Lavelle 18:32

Oh, yeah. Ryan Graves mentioned that didn't he.

Sean Kirkpatrick 18:35

Okay, right. Well, you know, there was, there were some academic articles that I, some of my research team found from a couple of years ago, back in 21, 22. With a Chinese in Singapore, group, two groups, where they were actually, they had built and were flying spherical drones that had cubes in them. And why would they do that? Well, according to the research, they were looking for, what's the what's the next gen of drones that's there? There's a lot of spherical drone work for a lot of good reasons. And how do you make a drone like that manoeuvre around without propellers that are visible? One of the reasons you make a spherical drone is for indoor use because it's safer. Or in stadiums, which is outdoor, because it's safer because if it crashes into the crowd, it's not going to cut people and hurt them. So these are basically you know, what they do is

where the cube touches the sphere at all the corners, they fuse it, they cut it out. And they stick either small turbo fans, or in some cases, different propulsion, jet propulsion, air propulsion systems. And so now I have eight of these around this sphere. And that gives you the greatest fidelity and manoeuvring the sphere around using a controller inside. Why is this important? Well, there is an example of a cube in a sphere drone that exists today, you know, that doesn't require aliens.

Sean Kirkpatrick 20:46

Now, what people will say, and again, this goes back to people don't actually understand how the national security world works. People will say, Well, that was a couple of years ago, and what the pilots were saying was they saw this, you know, 15 years ago? Well, this is how the classified world works. If, if I am a nation state, and I have an advanced technology that I'm working on, I will classify it and I will not let my scientists say anything about it or publish on it, until I get to a point where I've got a capability that I feel comfortable with. And the rest of the semi academic world has started to catch up, or the scientific world is starting to catch up. At that point, then they may let some of the scientists or associated companies, you know, publish on some of the basics that don't give away their secret sauce or their secret capabilities. So they'll see publications on these things, but it's usually a decade or two, after the fact.

Daniel Lavelle 22:05

So how far ahead is the US military than, how far ahead of the public is it, in terms of technological advances?

Sean Kirkpatrick 22:13

I couldn't say. And it all depends on on which areas you're looking at this, this is, this is how the military labs operate. Do labs operate all the national the military labs are full of a bunch of sciences, I came out of one. This is what we do, right we do in research. And then we'll try to write some papers will write some papers on some of the basic physics. But you won't get any of the unclassified papers on on any of the more advanced stuff until much further down the line. Well, that's true in every country. And China's just there as bad as anybody else, if not worse than when they let their scientists publish, if at all. So it is not surprised me at all. But a capability like like that you would see today in an academic publication. I don't know that there is a country that had a classified programme, but it stands to reason in the national security world that that is a possibility. I'm saying is here's a possibility that does not have anything to do with aliens.

Daniel Lavelle 23:41

Excuse me, [coughs] Yeah, sorry. I'm just getting. I'm so sorry. Excuse me.

Daniel Lavelle 23:53

So some of these witnesses have described, you know, hypersonic speeds and, and turns at right angles that defy the laws of physics as they see it. I mean, does the government, does the US government or other governments have that sort of capability.

Sean Kirkpatrick 24:11

So I go back to my earlier statement, if you dig into all of those of the data that we have on those that it almost always turns out to be an optical illusion, a sensor or anomaly, or some other weird aspect of how that data was collected, and inevitably does not turn out to be that it's travelling in hypersonics and velocities or making right angle turns. My favourite one is the right angle turn that, you know, there was a video of that as, as we recreated, you know, here's the platform going around, and the sensor underneath it is turning at the same time and they're banking. And when you put all of that together and you recreated it, the object wasn't moving hardly It all was moving with the wind. But it appears that it's moving, you know, crazy because you are, you don't have a reference frame. It's it's just like relativity, you don't have a reference frame. And unless you have an inertial reference frame that you can pin it to.

It's gonna look weird.

Daniel Lavelle 25:21

And pilots aren't infallible, are they? So they're just as vulnerable to optical illusions as the rest of us.

Sean Kirkpatrick 25:28

Absolutely they are. And it happens, I mean it happens.

Daniel Lavelle 25:38

So is AARO based out of the Pentagon, the building. And you worked in the building, the Pentagon? or was it.

Sean Kirkpatrick 25:47

So AARO is in a non disclosed location, because we don't need a lot of crazy people at the door.

Daniel Lavelle 25:56

Right. I get it. That's always made me wonder about area 51. If they really did have things there, then that there now are they because you don't want to attract all the crazies, like you said. But from a young boys perspectives someone who is interested in that topic. I mean, having a job at the Pentagon hunting aliens sounds really exciting. Is it exciting? Did you enjoy the work?

Sean Kirkpatrick 26:22

I enjoyed the operational mission.

Daniel Lavelle 26:25

Right.

Sean Kirkpatrick 26:26

I..., the historical research, while interesting, coupled with the allegations, became most of my time, which is not where I needed to be. And the rest of my team, you know, I kept them focused on the operational mission because that's where they needed to go. That was the most important part of AARO, and still is today, is the safety and security and the national security issues attendant to that. But the team of debriefers and I focused on the research, and again, while, interesting, at the end, we're spending a lot of time and effort because of a group of people that have lobbied into the attention of Congress to make this go.

Daniel Lavelle 27:38

Yeah, and you've talked about a circular reporting cycle that's going on. Can I just I'm just gonna read some names to you, right, George Knapp, Lou Elizondo, Jeremy Cobell, Christopher Mellon, Jay Stratton are those some of the names are involved in this self-repeating circle.

Sean Kirkpatrick 28:04

So, I can't name specific names, because the legislation wrote, extended the whistleblower protections to anybody that came to speak to us and anybody that we would call out there are, there are privacy act restrictions, there are whistleblower restrictions, which is why in the report, there are no names, just numbers

Daniel Lavelle 28:36

Is the Department of Defence embarrassed that it got duped by Robert Bigelow to get 22 million to investigate ghosts and skinwalkers and things.

Sean Kirkpatrick 28:46

So the reason that part is in there is because that's already out in the public domain. That's already been documented. And that's already out there. So I don't have anything to to add on to that. I think what you'll find is you can probably do the analysis and figure out who's who, and I'm sure there will be people that will try to do that. But that's not my job. And our job was to document

everything, investigate it, and protect the identities. Now, interestingly enough, some of the legislation including the extension of the whistleblower protections to these these folks was actually ghost written by some of these same people who had lobbied Congress. So they, they managed to write themselves in their own protections to allow them to go do some of this stuff. So there's that's a that's an interesting thing that somebody needs to go investigate, but it's not AARO's job.

Daniel Lavelle 29:56

So when David Grusch testified in Congress that he had been told that the US government is in possession of alien spacecraft, which they're reverse engineering. And they not only that, but they have alien bodies. And he said, Somebody told, told him, someone he trusts. I mean, are we talking about that same circle?

Sean Kirkpatrick 30:18

Yes

Daniel Lavelle 30:19

Right. So that the people who lobbied for this program in the first place are the same people who told him that they that they have these things?

Sean Kirkpatrick 30:29

It's even better than that. So if you look, in the historical report on page 36, you'll see 1,2,3,4, 4 or 5 main bullets there that speak to this same group of people who had their hands in everything from [?comported?] material exploitation to congressional lobbying and writing of legislation, to expanding legitimate special access programmes or purportedly for alien, and extra terrestrial exploitation, which they weren't supposed to do. You know, there's a lot of things there that all of the same people were involved in, including some of the same ones were involved in the in the think tank study, that's, that's called out in there. It was just it's, it's all the same group.

Daniel Lavelle 31:52

Do you think this is a blemish on the Department of Defence, the fact that this was allowed to happen? does it speak to maybe the way you the department vets programmes and the way organises itself?

Sean Kirkpatrick 32:06

No, I think in this case, you know, look, once the department understood what was happening, they put a stop to it

Daniel Lavelle 32:19

Right.

Sean Kirkpatrick 32:21

And because of that, the Senator Harry Reid at the time, used some of these collaborated with some of these same people and went over to DHS to try to get that program stood up. That's really the new part of this is that DHS piece, which had been alleged, as being you know, one of the hiding places or extraterrestrial bodies, turned out to not be that it turned out to be this kind of same group of people trying to stand up a programme under DHS, because the Department of Defence shut it down. So there's, there's, you know, a little bit of investigative work that we have laid out, kind of put all these pieces together. That's what's all out there in that report. And the DHS package, I believe, is in its final review for public release. So that'll be put out.

Daniel Lavelle 33:35

When then, I'm looking at the other conspiracies like the JFK assassination, Lee Harvey Oswald, who is undoubtably the shooter as far as I'm concerned. But he's often described as a patsy by conspiracy theorists. Do you think David Grusch is a patsy, of this UFO lobby that he's been told this stuff? Because he's a useful idiot, and he's gone forward with it?

Sean Kirkpatrick 34:00

I don't know. I don't want to speculate on on people's motivations, that, again, that wasn't our our remit. Our remit was to lay out the evidence and investigate the allegations. And the evidence is pretty conclusive. There's no evidence to support any of the allegations or any extraterrestrial reverse engineering or non human biologics or whatever you want to call it. But what's interesting is that some of the language that was used in the open testimony like Mr. Grush, and others, is actually the same language that was in the original story back in the 60s, and then again in the 80s, 90s. So if you look at this story, historically, and some of that is in historical record, it's online now. You see this story crop up every, every couple of decades and it's same pretty much it's the same story.

Daniel Lavelle 35:07

Bit like the virgin birth and different religious texts. Has David Grush ever been in touch with you during your time at AARO

Sean Kirkpatrick 35:20

Not at AARO, we tried to reach out to him four or five times to get him to come in. And as of the time that I left, he had not, and had refused to come, for a variety of reasons that we tried to answer. And [unclear] at this point

Daniel Lavelle 35:38

point, and can you disclose those reasons he gave?

Sean Kirkpatrick 35:43

I think you should wait until the FOIA come out.

Daniel Lavelle 35:46

Okay. Um, yeah, a few things. A lot of these people involved in this UFO lobby are quite scathing of you. And quite, you know, abusive, you know, you've been called a liar or a spin doctor. And, you know, there's some sinister overtones to all, I mean, how has that affected you?

Sean Kirkpatrick 36:14

Well, it's been much worse than that. I've had people come to my house, I've had people threaten my wife and daughter, and try to break into our online accounts, a lot more than, far more than I ever had as the deputy director of intelligence. I didn't have China and Russia trying to get on me as much as these people are. And and, you know, does it bother me, it bothers me when they come after my family. It does not bother me to the point of caring that much, other than every one of them have been turned over to the FBI for investigation. So, you know, they can make all the threats they want. I just turned it all over for OSI and FBI to go and law enforcement to go investigate.

Daniel Lavelle 37:23

I'm guessing you can't tell me who the individuals are. But can you speak around that in the sense that are the people prominent in this whole UFO community?

Sean Kirkpatrick 37:34

So there's certainly a number of really true believers in the conspiracy. Obviously, there's a lot of people that that are never going to believe anything that AARO is going to come up with. I had one one person, you know, send an email about, you know, why would anybody believe you know, the Pentagon, and Congress is not going to believe that the Pentagon and so why even bother? And the answer is simple. But if Congress didn't want to believe us, then Congress shouldn't have written into law for us to go investigate. I mean, Congress writes the laws, Congress should have done it.

Now, here's the other piece of this that I just want to make sure we're all clear. Right? There are a lot of good people in Congress that are trying hard to get to the truth of this, and most of them were on the Senate side. You know, the Intel and defence committees in particular, are very, very, very concerned about the safety and security aspects of this mission space and rightfully so.

Right. You don't want this to be an intelligence surprise. You don't want this to be a technology surprise. That being said, there's a handful of folks that are, you know, in Congress, but are mostly on the House side, very true-believing, Pentagon's lying, there's a government conspiracy and a cover up and, you know, why would we ever believe that? Well, you know, the first thing I would say and I've said this before, like I said, this is my first op ed. You know, those folks. They never ever asked for a briefing from AARO in the entire time I was there. They never asked for an update. They never even bothered to inquire about anything that they put out into the public space. Before they did It

Daniel Lavelle 40:01
is this Tim Burchett, et al.?

Sean Kirkpatrick 40:04
This is, yeah, this is the house side. Predominantly, this is the House side, right? So that, you know the thoughts of, hey, you know, if you guys want to get it the head, the truth is, first of all, Congress stood us up to go investigate. And you should make use of the tools you stood up to get to answers that you want. Or at least the truth that you want to find out and may not be the answer you want. And often, that's the case.

Sean Kirkpatrick 40:42
The the other piece of that is, you know, they really need to, spend some time listening to what has been found before they jump out into the public space and decry the Pentagon is hiding something from them. What, what certainly many of the American people don't recognise, and I put this in my second Op Ed. And what certain that most of the [global? gullible?] community has never paid attention to is, and I wouldn't expect them to is how the US Congress works when it comes to access to classified information. Classified information is controlled by the Defence and Intel committees for defence and Intel classified information.

And so if a congressional member who is not on those committees, wants, you know, shows up at a military base and wants access to classified information, they're not going to get it unless their own congressional defence and Intel committees gives them access, that's not the department or the IC's call or responsibility. They have to go to their own committees to request access and justify that. And then those committees will tell the department or the IC, yes, you may brief, you know, member so and so on whatever it is they're asking about. But if they don't say that, if they don't do that, the department and the IC can't really do anything if it's a security violation. But you know, most people don't know that. And instead, you get members that go, "Oh, they're hiding information from us?" Well, yeah, get cleared.

Daniel Lavelle 43:08
Were any of the witnesses you interviewed under oath?

Sean Kirkpatrick 43:13
So all of them put, we transcribed their testimony to us. And then they signed a piece of paper that that attested to the accuracy, they were able to change or write or edit whatever they wanted. And then they signed it and said this was accurate to the best of their knowledge.

Daniel Lavelle 43:34
In fairness to true believers, I suppose, if you go to a private company, or decompartmentalize part of government and ask them about reverse engineering projects and what and whatnot, if they want to keep that secret, they're gonna lie to you, aren't they? I mean, how? How did how do you know that you're not being lied to? I suppose you just as it just on trust alone, or is there empirical?

Sean Kirkpatrick 43:56
So it's a couple of things. One, we were cleared to everything that those industry partners were working on, before we showed up. Two, most of the people

at the senior level that I interacted with, certainly, and many of my team are people that have worked with the Department for many years. We've known them, we know who they are, we know what programs they have, we know what they're doing. And there is a you know, there's a relationship between the industrial base and the department. Because if they, if they aren't being truthful there, that that hurts their chances with the department and future acquisition that you're talking about. And then we cross-check.

Sean Kirkpatrick 44:52

So, you know, I know there's a there's a favourite part of this story of, you know, hey stuff was abandoned with an industry partner, and they're hiding it. Well, no, they're not. And I went and checked with those people. And here's where this gets really interesting is some of that same core group of individuals that we were talking about earlier. Right, had reached out to one of these industry partners and convinced them to take a look at a piece of material that they claimed was part of a crashed UFO. And then turned around to point to that company and say, hey, they're exploiting, you know, that reverse engineering crashed UFOs? Well, they were the ones that gave it to them.

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Daniel Lavelle 46:42

I mean, by setting fire to a building call in the news, or better yet filming the news and sending it off? That's, can you tell me who that private company was? Like, who they sent this material to? No, that's a shame.

Sean Kirkpatrick 46:58

Yeah, well, I mean, we have to protect companies as much as we protect the individuals. So all of that has been given to the appropriate oversight folks in Congress. So there's, the senior leadership and Congress are the ones that get access to all of the actual data at that level.

Daniel Lavelle 47:23

Again, I'm gonna ask you to speculate, but what do you think their motivation is? I mean, are they grifters? in the purest sense of the word, they know they're lying that they're trying to fool people? Or do they genuinely genuinely believe this stuff and just a bit irrational about it?

Sean Kirkpatrick 47:40

So much like UAP, there's no one explanation. Right? It comes to motivations, that people and I don't know why individuals do the things they do. You know, I'm a, as an intelligence officer and physicist, I'm a, I'm a technical collector, not a human collector. That is a different type of intelligence officer. So I don't know motivations, and we weren't asked to find out. But what I have told people in the past, including Congress, you know, there's there's generally a handful of motivations that that you can think of, right?

So there's, there's clearly monetary value, there's a huge market to keep this kind of conspiracy going. Everything from TV shows the, you know, movies and whatever. Companies that are stood up to go investigate things. There's fame. There's, there's influence in the sense of, hey, if I can get some, some people on the Hill excited about this, whether it's staffers and members, and they want

to keep talking to me, then there's a there's a, it's not really a power but an influence, motivation. There's, there's the absolute true-belief, which I wouldn't, I would, I would suggest is more akin to a religion than an actual factual thing. And those are the people that you're never going to convince, no matter what you put in front of them. I can lay out, you know, I can lay out the pictures of the classified programs that they mistook and they still wouldn't believe it. They would say no, that was derived from alien technology.

And then there, you know, there's people that have there are some that unfortunately have clear issues. I've got a person that communicates with me often trying to come to grips with something that that they think they've seen and they're working through, what can only be described as mental health issues. So I mean, you know, take your pick, it could be any of those, it could be none of those, it could just be: "I want to go do this".

Interestingly, and I'll have to to start wrapping up here in a moment, interestingly, you know, what I would leave you with on that topic is, you know, there is the potential for intentional disinformation misinformation, you know, relative to this kind of missionary, because it's so divisive. It's just another example of how, you know, somebody could use this in a system in a societal divide, to exacerbate, you know, anger against the government, anger against me, anger against other aspects of this mission space. Because people want to believe they want to believe in things like alien technology, because they don't want to be alone in the universe, and they want to be I want to believe that there's a reason things are the way they are. That's not necessarily where you want to put your focus. But I don't speak for people, right, I just speak what we've found; what's the evidence and what are the facts?

Daniel Lavelle 51:52

Sure. I'll let you go in a second. I am I am asked them, you ufologists in the interests of balance if they had any questions for you. So I've just selected a few. If you don't mind, if I could put those to you. One of the interesting ones I thought was, if the government had found evidence of aliens and spaceships and whatnot, would they have disclosed it to the public by now? Or is it the kind of thing they would keep secret?

Sean Kirkpatrick 52:24

They wouldn't keep that secret, because it's not, it's not their job, right? I mean, if there was, first of all, if the Department of Defence or the intelligence found evidence of any sort of extraterrestrial, it's not their job, it would immediately get turned over to NASA. And NASA would immediately disclose to everybody. It's that's their job. That's why we had a partnership with NASA for, one, for investigating advanced aerospace technologies that already exist. But, two, I mean, that's their job. Right. That's why there was the UAP independent study from NASA.

Daniel Lavelle 53:06

On this is from one of your critics, Jeremy Cabell. He said there are many small errors in the report, such as Senator Reid representing New Mexico, if these are wrong, how can we trust rigour of work conducted when it comes to the major allegations?

Sean Kirkpatrick 53:23

Well, that would be a technical editing review question that I would have to put back to AARO.

Daniel Lavelle 53:32

And finally, do you think your report will stand up to the test of time?

Sean Kirkpatrick 53:37

I think all of the evidence that's been put in place and laid in front of Congress will certainly stand the test of time.

Daniel Lavelle 53:48

Great. Thanks, Sean. Do you have anything else to add? Do you think we've covered everything?

Sean Kirkpatrick 53:54

I think that's pretty much it.

Daniel Lavelle 53:56

Great. Well, once again, thanks so much for agreeing to talk to me. I know you don't have a lot, you're very busy. And you don't like doing these? You know, I don't blame you because I wouldn't want to do doing them either. But can I email you any further questions? If anything occurs to me while I write this up? Would that be alright?

Sean Kirkpatrick 54:15

That would be fine. That, you can email to me. I don't know how timely I can get to them or even if I can, but I'll try to get to them.

Daniel Lavelle 54:27

Okay Sean. Well, thanks very much and have a enjoy the rest of your week. Thank you. Take care.

Attachments

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Thanks for sharing this here!

MonkeeSage

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#4

Mr. Lavelle asked some excellent questions and I am thankful Dr. Kirkpatrick was so forthcoming in his answers. I hope his successor at AARO keeps up the same focus on the operational mission and scientific rigor. Thanks for sharing the full audio and transcript Mick!

Ann K

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#5

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#6

RTM said:

I wonder is this the material that Garry Nolan was investigating. search for the word CRADA in the AARO report discussion, we've talked about it at length.

It's a piece that TTSA acquired, entered a CRADA with the army to maybe make their gear have less mass, and the army then had their laboratories test it. Sean says here it may have been a missile casing, the report is less explicit and says "air force material".

But in principle, this is not a new revelation.

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There's lots of good stuff before that, too. I was thinking about excerpting "my favorite bits" again, but I'd highly recommend for everyone to take it in whole.

Much thanks to @Mick West for providing an excellent transcript, I much appreciate having that!

yoshy

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#8

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I know that this website generally gives people the benefit of the doubt (it might even be one of Mick's rules iirc), but so many of these revelations are painting the picture to me that many of the UFO believers are just purposely lying to advance their projects and beliefs. I don't know if they're grifting or perhaps they lie because they believe so strongly that they justify lying using "ends justify the means" reasoning or something else, but I just don't see anyway they don't know exactly what they're doing.

MapperGuy

Senior Member.

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#9

I am glad to see Mr Kirkpatrick regularly referring to AARO's current collection of reports on unidentified things and their emphasis on creating standardized processes for collecting, analyzing and storing these reports.

Looking at the various Reddit threads relating to UFO's it seems that crowd has pretty much dismissed the first report ("All Lies!!") and is now focusing on Congressional committees. They seem to have forgotten that AARO is going to be putting out more reports in the future. And Congressional committees may start being told to "Talk to AARO" when they start asking wild questions.

The Intel and Military community have been dodging the UFO issue for years for the very good reason that Classified material limits what they can say and they have KNOWN for years that whatever they say will be immediately branded as lies, all lies, nothing but lies! I would expect to see them using AARO as the "group to go ask" when fielding questions from the UFO true-believers. Going to make being an AARO employee (and working at that undisclosed location) a fun assignment.

I can understand Kirkpatrick being prohibited from naming names, saves on lawsuits I am sure. But these same names will be asked questions by those Congressional committees, so their ability to dodge making public statements may be coming to an end.

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Don't forget that the appropriate committees can access AARO's case files that we can't.

jarlrmai

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Senior Member.

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#11

I imagine they will probably attempt to use political influence to have a UFO ally appointed to AARO to replace Kirkpatrick.

Eburacum

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Senior Member.

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#12

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Mendel

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#13

Eburacum said:

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Not physically, but psychosocially, in the sense that "here's a weird chunk of material, must be from a UFO" is pretty much the origin story for all of these.

See <https://www.metabunk.org/threads/meta-materials-from-ufos.12995/> for a history of Art's Parts, which include the bit that AARO looked at.

NorCal Dave

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Senior Member.

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Even in that thread, it appears only a few hard-core UFOlogist still think that piece of slag is from a UFO, based mostly on the testimony of a psychic. As @Mendel mentioned above, the report clearly references one of Art's Parts that TTAS obtained. The magnesium-bismuth layered one.

RTM said:

I wonder is this the material that Garry Nolan was investigating.

Nolan has worked with various bits of junk over the years, most notably the supposed pieces from the supposed UFO crash in Ubatuba. But, there is also something he collected out in New Mexico with Diane Pasulka and a Taylor from NASA.

On the one hand, if Kirkpatrick is right and the MgBi layered piece is from a missile, it may explain why no one could figure out what the material was. It may have been a classified at the time material that was then kinda forgotten about outside of a few people.

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think he sat down and wrote this report, he was supervising the whole program. It may be that there is the MgBi sample from Art's Parts AND some bits of junk Nolan collected out in the desert.

MapperGuy

Senior Member.

Mar 24, 2024

#15

jarlrmai said:

I imagine they will probably attempt to use political influence to have a UFO ally appointed to AARO to replace Kirkpatrick.

And it will be a fun day at AARO when a new director, the first "True Believer", walks in and demands to know where the saucers are stored because they want to go see them. When they are told, "Sorry, we don't have any" their response will be some combination of threats of firing, threats of criminal charges for lying, and/or threats of execution for treason. Because of course we have some, lots of them, but nobody will tell him where. That is Unacceptable!

Problem of course is we don't have any, nobody does. Nobody on this planet but us humans.

Then calls for disbanding AARO because they are "Not doing what they are supposed to be doing!" And the cycle begins again.....

Mendel

Mendel

Senior Member.

Mar 25, 2024

#16

MapperGuy said:

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Senior Member.

Mar 25, 2024

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Mendel

Mendel

Senior Member.

Mar 25, 2024

#18

MapperGuy said:

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Yes. That is my point.

Think about what 'zondo would've leaked if he had had that.

Eburacum

Eburacum

Senior Member.

Mar 25, 2024

#19

NorCal Dave said:

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jplaza

Senior Member.

Mar 25, 2024

#20

Googling by "MgBi" shows hardly any result, (in fact, I get "MgB" results). But searching for MgBi206 produces more results. In particular, I found this:

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/abs/pii/S138955672200020X>

External Quote:

Magnesium bismuthates

The only representative in the class of magnesium bismuthates that has been investigated in some detail is the compound with the composition MgBi206. One reason for this scarcity is likely due to the scarcity of phase diagrams of the MO-Bi203 or MO-Bi205 composites. This magnesium bismuthate is a semiconductor and is mainly used in batteries for portable electronic devices. Production of MgBi206 is based on the substitution reaction involving sodium bismuthate and a soluble magnesium salt

Mick West

Mick West

Administrator

Staff member

Mar 25, 2024

#21

jplaza said:

Googling by "MgBi" shows hardly any result, (in fact, I get "MgB" results). But searching for MgBi206 produces more results.

The part isn't supposed to be a compound or even an alloy of magnesium and bismuth, it's layers of separate magnesium (or a Magnesium/Zinc alloy and bismuth. TTSA referred to it as:

Article:

a Magnesium-Zinc-Bismuth (MgZn/Bi) sample, which has been the source of discussion and speculation for years. The supplied documentation states that it is from a UAP crash recovery. While this source cannot be verified, this is a particularly interesting sample for several reasons:

The material is clearly engineered with distinct layers of MgZn and Bi at structured thicknesses only microns thick

There is no precedent for this structured combination of materials

Source: <https://tothestars.media/blogs/press-and-news/material-of-interest-magnesium-zinc-bismuth>

Mendel

Mendel

Senior Member.

Mar 25, 2024

#22

Eburacum said:

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evidence of magnesium used in missile construction, from a 2017 contract:

Article:

Lightweight Magnesium Components of a Missile Body

... Newer, wrought nanocomposite magnesium alloys incorporating nanolaminate and/or nanotwin phases have achieved properties exceeding 7000 series aluminum while having 35% lower density and better fatigue and high temperature properties. Terves has developed these nanocomposite magnesium alloys with low rare earth content in bar and thick-walled tubular forms for oil and gas applications. During this STTR his project, Terves will continue working with the University of California Riverside to produce nanostructured magnesium sheet and extrusion profiles suitable for missile construction, while tracking microstructural development as a function of thermomechanical processing history. ...

Source: <https://www.sbir.gov/node/1516061>

The layered build of the TTSA material could well be a "nanolaminate", though bismuth is not a rare earth metal.

Edit:

<https://secwww.jhuapl.edu/techdigest/content/techdigest/pdf/V04-N03/04-03-Caywood.pdf>

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That missile is from the 1950s.

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NorCal Dave

NorCal Dave

Senior Member.

Mar 25, 2024

#23

TTSA said:

The supplied documentation states that it is from a UAP crash recovery.

That statement is hilarious! The only "documentation" suggesting this, is a series of wacky letters from an anonymous person calling themselves "A Friend", complete with Ol' Grandad, stolen samples and telepathic aliens.

jplaza said:

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As noted above by Mick, it's not some sort of alloy, just a layering of these 2 elements. Possibly as a result of lead smelting as Mg can be used to draw the Bi out of the molten lead ore. Discussed in the OP here, including the full text of the crazy letters asserting it's from UFO:

<https://www.metabunk.org/threads/meta-materials-from-ufos.12995/>

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john.phil

john.phil

Senior Member.

Mar 25, 2024

#24

NorCal Dave said:

Possibly as a result of lead smelting

Interesting you mention it, because Garry Nolan said he was given a sample of the layered bismuth, and he found lead in the composition (although it could be just a contaminant from another process).

(14:50) "It is a layered material of bismuth, a little bit of lead and magnesium. I've looked at the ratios of the Isotopes there and there's nothing unusual about it"

The interview segment conducted by Ross Coulthart starts at (14:36) and ends at (15:54).

Source: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XR0JtbuLhPo&t=876s>

JJStrumr

New Member

Mar 26, 2024

#25

MapperGuy said:

Nobody at AAWSAP/AATIP ever had the access and authority that the director of AARO has. Or the budget and staff.

Because the AARO serves a totally different purpose. There is no worthwhile comparison between AAWSAP/AATIP and AARO.

Mendel

Mendel

Senior Member.

Mar 26, 2024

#26

JJStrumr said:

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they both looked at potential UFOs and tried to identify them, I'd say that makes their purpose comparable. However, their methods are very different.

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MapperGuy

Senior Member.

Mar 26, 2024

#27

Mendel said:

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Their purposes are comparable, but AARO is in a completely different league from AAWSAP/AATIP.

AAWSAP/AATIP was the pet project of Senator Harry Reid, who used it to pass government money to contributors and friends to use for research into various topics including flying saucers. It was never what I would call a serious government operation. More a collaboration of people interested in the same things studying whatever seemed fun at the moment.

AARO on the other hand is a real government operation, staffed by professionals with an organization chart and documentation showing specific areas of responsibility and objectives. I would urge everyone to go visit the AARO website at: WWW.AARO.MIL and check it out. Lots of interesting things posted there. One thing that will distinguish it from AAWSAP/AATIP is its public outreach and its regular reporting on what it is and has been doing and its conclusions.

Already on their website are some examples of things identified and some still unknown.

Shogga

New Member

Jan 13, 2025

#28

Sean Kirkpatrick 34:00

"....There's no evidence to support any of the allegations or any extraterrestrial reverse engineering or non human biologies or whatever you want to call it...."

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Hal Puthoff 2:10:35 timestamp

"Yeah, we found that they were layered alloys at the micron levels and none of our technologists, even in the big aerospace corporations, could make these layers bond together. So just by their physical construction, we could tell it was way beyond anything that could have been manufactured in our ordinary technology here on Earth.

Yeah, that's what I saw too. You were looking at the outside of a craft or materials that came from a crashed spacecraft or something?

Yes."

Somebody is lying or being mislead.

Mendel

Mendel

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#29

Shogga said:

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See <https://www.metabunk.org/threads/aa...-alleged-alien-metamaterial.13548/post-318886> , assuming that's what Puthoff was referring to.

There is no "metamaterial" that has stood up to analysis.

There is no "metamaterial" that has a clear chain of provenance from a spacecraft.

Puthoff is not trustworthy; we know this at least since he championed Uri Geller.

MonkeeSage

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Senior Member.

Jan 13, 2025

#30

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Check out <https://www.metabunk.org/threads/aaro-releases-lab-report-on-alleged-alien-metamaterial.13548>

AARO commissioned Oak Ridge National Laboratory to study one of the pieces Puthoff is talking about and they found nothing special about the chemical composition/isotopic ratios or crystalline structures. The reports are linked in OP of that thread.

Edit: Oops posted before I saw Mendel also pointed to the same thread.

NorCal Dave

NorCal Dave

Senior Member.

Jan 13, 2025

#31

Shogga said:

Somebody is lying or being mislead.

Or hyping up a dearly held fantasy.

I don't know exactly what piece of something Puthoff is talking about in this quote, but it sounds like the Bismuth and Magnesium layered piece that is part of a collection of alleged UFO scraps known as "Art's Parts". As Mendal and MonkeeSage both noted above, there is nothing to connect these various bits of junk to any UFO, aside from the decidedly "imaginative" letters that accompanied them in the mail from an anonymous source. Several of the pieces in the collection were shown to be just terrestrial things like car radiator parts. The history and origins of these samples is discussed at length in this thread:

<https://www.metabunk.org/threads/meta-materials-from-ufos.12995/>

As for Puthoff, he has a history believing in remote viewing, ESP, Psy, Uri Geller's spoon bending tricks and the idea that the US government has for decades been collecting and reverse engineering crashed alien UFOs. A program he wants to be part of and the supposed existence of which, I would argue, is a direct result of his own claims. He spreads the idea of a secret UFO retrieval and reverse engineering program around to so many different people over time that it eventually comes back to him as a self fulfilling rumor. I have quotes for this that I'll have to find on other threads a bit later today.

And just a heads up for you as a newer member, use the External Content button up top of the posting window for quotes. Highlight the quote then hit the button. That way we know it's not you talking, rather it's a quote you're sharing. any questions, just PM me. Welcome aboard.

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Mendel

Mendel

Senior Member.

Jan 13, 2025

#32

NorCal Dave said:

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tbh I would've linked it myself if I hadn't known it was already linked (twice, in #3 and #4) in the AARO/Oak Ridge thread that I mentioned :-p

NorCal Dave

NorCal Dave

Senior Member.

Jan 13, 2025

#33

Mendel said:

tbh I would've linked it myself if I hadn't known it was already linked (twice, in #3 and #4) in the AARO/Oak Ridge thread that I mentioned :-p

It is amazing how these bits of junk just keep turning up. I'd have to wonder if 1/2 the people that tout these pieces have actually read the entirety of the letters that accompanied them? These letters are the ONLY thing that connect the scraps to a UFO and the letters are fantastical collections of UFO tropes with a B-movie narrative to put it mildly. That's why I included the whole text of the letters in that thread.

Beyond the source's nearly comical origin story, and the fact that the first batch of supposed UFO parts from the source literally included common terrestrial car parts, in the ensuing 30ish years NOTHING has ever come of this stuff. A young Travis Taylor, of Ancient Aliens and The Secrets of Skinwalker Ranch fame, said back in the '90s that the BiMg piece (which it sounds like Puthoff was talking about) would float if hit with enough energy of some sort. Making it in fact an anti-gravity device.

Since then, the BiMg piece has been passed around and tested repeatedly and there is no evidence that it has ever "floated" when "hit with a terahertz" as claimed by Tom DeLong of TTSA, the current owner of the sample. It's a piece of junk.

JMartJr

JMartJr

Senior Member.

Jan 13, 2025

#34

NorCal Dave said:

I'd have to wonder if 1/2 the people that tout these pieces have actually read the entirety of the letters that accompanied them?

I'm not sure why that would make them less convincing to a True Believer, though. The text reinforces the stuff that is truly believed, after all...

Mendel

Mendel

Senior Member.

Jan 13, 2025

#35

Mendel said:

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To be more explicit (and as a tl;dr):

that thread highlights the Kirkpatrick vs Puthoff angle, in that Puthoff offered TTSA's best piece of metamaterial to the army, to have it analysed in a CRADA, and the army analysis is still unreleased by TTSA, while AARO released the Oak Ridge Laboratories analysis of the same piece, and it demolishes Puthoff's claims. So it's really Puthoff with the tall tales and no disclosure here, while Kirkpatrick's outfit has published the receipts.

(More on the CRADA and why it's probably the UFOlogists keeping it secret at <https://www.metabunk.org/threads/aaros-historical-uap-report-volume-1.13375/page-6#post-312290> and elsewhere in that thread. And of course above here.)

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Sean Kirkpatrick, director of All-domain Anomaly Resolution Office at the defense department, speaks at Nasa's headquarters in Washington DC on 31 May 2023. Photograph: Joel Kowsky/Nasa

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He quit heading the Pentagon's UFO office. Now a report of his has shaken up ufology

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Sean Kirkpatrick has faced threats for his work – and a new report concluding no evidence UAPs represented extraterrestrial tech has sent ufology into a tailspin

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Sean Kirkpatrick doesn't seem too thrilled to be chatting with me about UFOs. Since taking over the Pentagon's All-Domain Anomaly Resolution Office (AARO) in 2022 – government-speak for UFO hunting – Kirkpatrick has received violent threats, social-media smear campaigns, and even had to call the FBI after a UFO fanatic showed up at his home.

"I've had people threaten my wife and daughter, and try to break into our online accounts – far more than I ever had as the deputy director of intelligence [of US Strategic Command]," Kirkpatrick says. "I didn't have China and Russia trying to get on me as much as these people are."

So, after 18 months in the job, Kirkpatrick called it quits last December. Then, last week, AARO published the first part of a report he had worked on that concluded there was no evidence "that any USG [US government] investigation, academic-sponsored research, or official review panel has confirmed that any sighting of a UAP [unidentified aerial phenomenon] represented extraterrestrial technology".

AARO's conclusions sent the world of ufology – the study of UFOs, the practitioners of which are known as ufologists – into a tailspin.

After all, it was only in July last year that the former intelligence officer David Grusch told a packed congressional hearing that for decades the US government had been hoarding crashed alien spaceships and attempting to reverse-engineer them. True believers thought we were getting closer than ever to full disclosure; it was only a matter of time until the government would wheel out the flying saucers on to the White House lawn.

a man talks about UFOs

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David Grusch, center, testifies during a house hearing on unidentified aerial phenomena in Washington DC on 26 July 2023. Photograph: Drew Angerer/Getty Images

Kirkpatrick was watching that hearing. Over the course of three hours, and via testimony from two former US navy pilots, David Fravor and Ryan Graves, Congress heard about unknown aircraft making impossible manoeuvres, or the government's possession of "non-human biologics" recovered from crashed spaceships. At one point, Representative Tim Burchett asked Grusch if he had any personal knowledge

of people being harmed or injured in efforts to cover up or conceal extraterritorial technology. Grusch replied: "Yes." Burchett then asked Grusch if he had heard of anyone being murdered. The former intelligence official answered: "I directed people with that knowledge to the appropriate authorities." Grusch also claimed that the Men in Black were on his case and were harassing other witnesses.

Crucially, Grusch said he hadn't seen the spaceships and "biologics" with his own eyes; someone in the intelligence community told him the story.

Naturally, Kirkpatrick tried to talk to him. But although Grusch had dropped most of these bombshells months before on the cable channel NewsNation, when asked to discuss it with the one man in the US government who really needed to hear the yarn, he was a no-show. "We tried to reach out to him four or five times to get him to come in," Kirkpatrick says. "And as of the time that I left, he had refused to come for a variety of reasons."

You see this story crop up every couple of decades, and it's pretty much the same story

Sean Kirkpatrick

Kirkpatrick – who has sharp features, a thin goatee and speaks in a measured monotone that makes even this topic seem slightly boring – says the evidence against Grusch's claims is conclusive. "There's no evidence to support any of the allegations or any extraterrestrial reverse engineering or 'human biologics' or whatever you want to call it," he says. "You see this story crop up every couple of decades, and it's pretty much the same story."

And it comes, he says, from the ufologists who gave him such grief – a core of people that can only be described as America's new UFO lobby.

A new age

The 21st century's UFO craze began on 16 December 2017 after the New York Times reported that the Pentagon had created something called the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP). This was supposedly a secret department investigating unidentified aerial phenomena or UAPs (the Department of Defense's preferred acronym for UFOs).

The Times piece also included three videos, the most compelling of which showed an object eerily similar to a flying saucer, moving with no apparent means of propulsion.

The story went viral and UFOs went mainstream. Serious people were now taking little green men and their spaceships very seriously. Barack Obama told The Late Late Show with James Corden that things were happening in our skies that the US government simply could not explain.

a saucer flies in a black and white photo

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A flying saucer photographed near Santa Ana, California, in August 1965.

Photograph: GRANGER/Historical Picture Archive/Alamy

However, not everything in the Times' story was accurate. Yes, the Pentagon did have a UFO programme, but it was called the Advanced Aerospace Weapon System Applications Program (AAWSAP), not AATIP, and it had bizarre beginnings.

Seated next to Grusch in that congressional hearing was George Knapp, a journalist who in 2006 co-wrote a book called *Hunt for the Skinwalker* (a shape-shifting witch in Navajo culture). Knapp's book tells stories of vanishing cattle, "invisible objects emitting magnetic fields" and flying orbs zooming around the eponymous Skinwalker Ranch – a large property in Utah.

The book has proved to be instrumental in modern ufology. It found its way to James Lacatski, an intelligence officer in the Department of Defense, who was blown away by it and contacted the aviation billionaire Robert Bigelow, the owner of Skinwalker Ranch at the time. Bigelow allowed Lacatski to visit the

ranch and investigate; one evening, Lacatski claimed to see an apparition in the kitchen, described in Knapp's and Lacatski's 2021 follow-up book *Skinwalkers* at the Pentagon as "an unearthly technological device" which took the form of "a complex semi-opaque, yellowish, tubular structure".

Lacatski and Bigelow took their findings to the late Harry Reid, the Nevada senator, who also had a keen interest in UFOs. Bigelow was a longtime donor to Reid's campaigns, and persuaded him that it was time to look into UFOs and related phenomena.

There was one problem: a defence programme focused on UFOs would not loosen any purse strings at the Pentagon, so Lacatski buried the true purpose of his research under an unremarkable acronym: AAWSAP, which promptly kicked off a search for poltergeists, ET and "the freakish hybrid of small dinosaur [sic] and large beaver".

The Pentagon gave \$22m to AAWSAP in 2008 – and AAWSAP gave the funds to none other than Bigelow and his company, Bigelow Aerospace, who used the money to chase UFOs and the paranormal at Skinwalker Ranch.

A few years later, the Pentagon got wind of what was really happening, and AAWSAP was fully closed down by 2012. There's no evidence that AAWSAP found spaceships or aliens.

a saucer flies in a black and white photo

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The Amalgamated Flying Saucer Club of America, which headquarters in Los Angeles, released this photo taken by a member reportedly showing a flying saucer estimated at 70ft in diameter. Photograph: Bettmann/Bettmann Archive
But the myth had taken root.

In Kirkpatrick's report, he says all the stories – the alien bodies and crashed spaceships that Grusch peddled in Congress – "largely originate from the same group of individuals who have ties to AAWSAP/AATIP program" and "worked with each other consistently in various UAP-related efforts".

Their beliefs, he says now, are as circular as their associations with one another. "Some of that same core group of individuals had reached out to one of these industry partners and convinced them to take a look at a piece of material that they claimed was part of a crashed UFO. And then they turned around to point to that company and say, 'Hey, 'they're reverse engineering crashed UFOs?' Well, they were the ones that gave it to them." Nevertheless, he and his team at AARO looked into it. "It turns out that's not really a UFO. It's most likely a piece of a missile case from an air force test," he says.

What about the leaked UFO videos, like the one in the New York Times?

Kirkpatrick says there's not enough data to provide a definitive analysis of each one but insists that, like all the stories that came across his desk, they have mundane explanations that don't involve space aliens. The rotating object shaped like a flying saucer is probably glare from a distant heat source. "The source could be any number of things. Even a weather balloon will give off that kind of glare if it's got enough shiny metal on it, and the sun's just right," he says.

But evidence is not the point. Some will never be swayed. "There's the absolute true belief, which would suggest it is more akin to a religion than an actual factual thing," he says. "And those are the people that you're never going to convince, no matter what you put in front of them. I can lay out the pictures of the classified programmes that they mistook, and they still wouldn't believe it. They would say, 'No, that was derived from alien technology.'"

And what if the government does eventually get its hands on aliens and their flying saucers? "It's not their job [to keep it secret]," he says. "It would immediately get turned over to Nasa, and Nasa would immediately disclose it to

everybody. That's their job."

This article and its headline were amended on 22 March 2023. A previous version misquoted Sean Kirkpatrick as saying a UFO fanatic tried to break into his home. Instead a ufologist only showed up at his home.

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SAIC and Others to Pay U.S. More Than \$22.6 Million to Resolve False Claims Allegations

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Case Involved The National Center for Critical Information Processing and Storage at Mississippi's Stennis Space Center

WASHINGTON – Science Applications International Inc. (SAIC); its subcontractor, Applied Enterprise Solutions LLC (AES); AES CEO Dale Galloway; and former government employees Stephen Adamec and Robert Knesel will pay the United States \$22,676,000 to resolve allegations of false claims in a whistleblower suit, the Justice Department announced today. SAIC will pay \$20,400,000 and AES and Dale Galloway will pay \$2,166,000. Adamec and Knesel are paying \$110,000.

The False Claims Act (FCA) suit, filed in June 2009 in the Southern District of Mississippi, alleges that the defendants knowingly violated the FCA when they submitted or caused the submission of false claims and conspired to submit such claims under a contract with the General Services Administration (GSA) in support of the Naval Oceanographic Major Shared Resource Center (NAVO MSRC). That contract was to provide support services for the National Center for Critical Information Processing and Storage (NCCIPS) at the NAVO MSRC. GSA awarded the NCCIPS task order in April 2004 to SAIC, which teamed with Lockheed Martin and AES to perform under the task order. SAIC was paid a total of \$116 million under the contract.

The qui tam, or whistleblower, suit alleges that prior to the issuance, and once the NCCIPS solicitation had been publicized, Adamec and Knesel, then government employees, conspired with SAIC, AES, Galloway and Lockheed Martin to ensure that SAIC and its teaming partners were awarded the task order by sharing non-public, advance procurement information with the SAIC team that was not provided to other potential bidders; sharing information about the solicitation with the SAIC team before providing that information to other bidders; and choosing a type of contract and putting language in the solicitation in order to bias the

selection process to favor the SAIC team.

"We expect those who contract for the privilege of doing the public's business to act fairly and abide by the rules, not game the system to get undeserved taxpayer dollars for themselves and their friends," said Tony West, Assistant Attorney General for the Justice Department's Civil Division. "We will pursue stiff penalties for contractors and federal employees whose illegal conduct defrauds the public and makes it harder for companies that play by the rules to compete."

The qui tam suit, United States ex rel. Magee v. Lockheed Martin, et al., 1:09cv324 HSO (JMR) (S.D. MS.), was filed by David Magee, a former employee at the NAVO MSRC. The United States intervened in Magee's action as to all defendants except for Lockheed Martin. The United States previously settled with Lockheed Martin for \$2 million.

The investigation was conducted by the Justice Department's Civil Division, the Defense Criminal Investigative Service, the Naval Criminal Investigative Service and the GSA Office of Inspector General.

The Justice Department's total recoveries in False Claims Act cases since January 2009 exceed \$7.8 billion.

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Whatever happened to the Marshall County cop who hit a UFO?
Deputy Val Johnson stood where he saw the light.

On Sept. 11, 1979, Val Johnson stood where he says he had been engulfed by a flash of light two weeks earlier, indicated how big the beam was as it approached.[Stormi Greener | Star Tribune 1979](#)

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At 1:40 a.m. 36 years ago, Marshall County Sheriff's Deputy Val Johnson was on night patrol along a rural section of State Highway 220 near Warren, Minn., when he drove into a ball of white light.

"I noticed a very bright, brilliant light, 8 to 12 inches in diameter, 3 to 4 feet off the ground," Johnson said in a taped police interview. "The edges were very defined."

Johnson drove toward the light, and woke up in the ditch a half-hour later with burns around his eyes. The windshield and one headlight of his 1977 Ford LTD were smashed. Both radio antenna were bent sharply back. The watch on his wrist and the clock on the dash both ticked 14 minutes slow.

The incident turned Johnson into a local legend and national media sensation. And years later, people are still talking about it.

Johnson's squad car is preserved in the Marshall County Museum with a plaque that says: "U.F.O. Car." People still come from miles around to see it. It's an annual display at the Marshall County Fair.

Sometimes former Marshall County Sheriff Dennis Brekke gives talks at the museum about the car and the night his deputy drove it into a ball of light. Police investigated and never drew any conclusions.

Shattered windshield of squad car

The shattered windshield of Val Johnson's squad car that he was driving night of incident, Aug. 26, 1979. Photographed on Nov. 6, 1979. Regene Radniecki | Star Tribune 1979

But the incident's enduring fame has lingered far beyond Marshall County.

What's known as the "Val Johnson Incident" remains one of the top 10 most influential UFO encounters in history, according Jerome Clark, who wrote about it in his 1998 book, "The UFO Encyclopedia."

Paranormal TV shows like "UFO Files" and "Mysteries at the Museum" filmed reenactments. Even now, people debate the legitimacy of the encounter on online forums.

"It was an extraordinarily important case," Clark said.

Plenty of people have strange experiences on back roads late at night, Clark explained, but very few of them yield any tangible evidence. Fewer still are ever investigated.

But one thing is strikingly absent from the small town museum, the TV shows and online discussions: Val Johnson. When you try to track down Val Johnson, people tend to say he's hard to find, that he's still haunted by what happened to him 36 years ago. A 2013 Pioneer Press article said Johnson "quickly grew tired of interviews" after the incident and is "believed to now live somewhere in Wisconsin."

Sheriff Brekke's wife Louise said Johnson hasn't kept in touch with his old colleagues in Marshall County for three decades, aside from a letter he sent a few years back with no return address.

As it turns out, Johnson isn't that hard to find. He lives in Eau Claire, Wis., and he answers his phone.

At the first mention of UFOs, he laughed aloud.

"It's unexplainable, and will remain so. I'm happy with my mental stability," said Johnson.

"People don't call about that anymore," he said.

It becomes readily apparent that the details of the Val Johnson incident still enthralling UFO enthusiasts, just don't fascinate Johnson.

"I looked up at the sky and said, 'Well shucks, what happened?'" Johnson recalled. "And then I shuffled on with my life."

He had small kids to raise back then. Hitting a ball of light and ending up in a ditch wasn't close to the most important thing going on in his life.

For almost a year after the incident his phone hardly stopped ringing. He's quoted at the time by Associated Press writer Barbara Dewey saying his wife was "run ragged" by the constant calls. He appeared on Good Morning America, and in dozens of newspapers across the country. For a while, he was a very big deal.

Val Johnson sat behind the wheel of a squad car.

Val Johnson sat inside a Marshall County squad car on Nov. 6, 1979. Regene Radniecki | Star Tribune 1979

"And then other stories came along and pushed me off the front page," he said. "Thank goodness."

Johnson stayed on as deputy for a while after the incident. Then he took a job as chief of police in the nearby town of Oslo, Minn. Locals, he said, never questioned his ability to enforce the law.

In 1982 he was hired to set up the Roseau, Minn., Police Department, but lost the job less than a year later over a funding dispute.

"Once you're a chief of police, and then you get fired," he said, "you're un-hireable."

He was working as a security guard in a Twin Cities mall when a friend got him a job answering the customer service line at 3M.

"He asked me how I'd like to take 60 angry phone calls a day," he recalled, "I said, 'Dang, I can do that.'"

For years people sometimes showed up on his front porch with theories about his experience in Marshall County.

"We'd sit in the back yard with lemonade and talk," he said. "They'd tell me what they thought happened to me and I'd nod at the appropriate times. Eventually they'd go away."

Johnson's car is preserved at the county museum.

Val Johnson's squad car, a 1977 Ford LTD known locally as the "U.F.O Car," is preserved in the Marshall County Museum. People still come to see it. Courtesy of the Marshall County Museum

Johnson is 71 now. He has a short white beard and thinning white hair. He's retired, still living in Eau Claire with his wife, Rosanne. No one has stopped by in years. No one calls about UFOs even when his name airs on television.

He has great-grandchildren.

To this day Johnson won't speculate on what happened to him in 1979. He doesn't think the light he saw was an extraterrestrial – but also won't rule out the possibility. For years, he said, it just hasn't crossed his mind.

"I saw a ball of light," he said. "I drove toward it, and suddenly it was in the car with me. It's unexplainable, and will remain so. I'm happy with my mental stability."

If it seems Johnson's ambivalence could cast some doubt on the famous incident, those passionate about UFOs are unfazed. Clark said it's a textbook UFO encounter coping mechanism.

Clark talked to scores of people involved in UFO encounters for his books. Some became obsessed with what happened to them. Some plunged into denial. Others he said, found peace, refusing to allow an encounter to change their lives.

"If anything," Clark said, "It's a story to tell at the bar, and that's it."

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UFO Case Report:

Trans-en-Provence Physical Trace Case

Date: January 8, 1981

Location: Trans-en-Provence, France

On the afternoon of January 8, 1981, a strange craft landed on a farm near the village of Trans-en-Provence in the Var region in southeastern France. Physical traces left on the ground were collected by the Gendarmerie within 24 hours and later analyzed in several French government laboratories. Extensive evidence of anomalous activity was detected.

Artist's impression of the landed craft. (source: Lumieres Dans La Nuit)

Drawing of the "device" by the witness.

One of the landing marks at the site. (Photo by Jean-Jacques Velasco of GEPAN.)

Classification & Features

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The Trans-en-Provence UFO event was observed by a single witness. The account provided by the witness to the police authorities is as follows: R

An Analysis Of The Formation of the Trans-en-Provence Landing Trace

Mark Cashman, Temporal Doorway

While several analyses of the Trans-en-Provence UFO landing trace have been performed, no analysis is known to this author which attempts to constrain when in the sequence of events the trace was formed, or the implications of that formation time for the possible energy output levels and falloff rate of the force which created the trace. This paper describes a rationale for considering that the trace was formed on departure, and that the energy output which formed the trace has a relatively rapid falloff with distance.

Disc Leaves Extensive Ground Traces

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Renato Nicolai, a 52-year-old technician, was working on an upper-level terraced portion of his property at about 5:00 p.m. when he heard a whistling sound to the east. Turning, he observed an object resembling "a somewhat bulging disk like two plates glued to each other by the rim, with a central ring some 20 cm [8 inches] wide." This is a brief summary of the event. R

Return to Trans-en-Provence

Jacques F. Vallee. (1990). J. Scientific Exploration, Vol. 4, No. 1, p. 19

Scientific paper - abstract: The site of the 1981 Trans-en-Provence UFO case was visited again during 1988. Soil samples taken at the time of the initial investigation were analyzed in an American laboratory in an effort to validate the Centre National d'Études Spatiales (CNES) study of the case. The results of the interviews with the witness and his wife, and the examination of samples taken at the surface and below the surface of the physical trace support the findings of the CNES team and the truthfulness of the witness' testimony.

Report on the Analysis of Anomalous Physical Traces: The 1981 Trans-en-Provence UFO Case

Jean-Jacques Velasco, (1990), J. Scientific Exploration, Vol. 4, No. 1, p. 27

The report by Mr. Nicolai describes an observation made in daylight from a distance of about 30 meters, for a duration measured in multiples of 10 seconds, during which time the phenomenon was stationary.

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On the afternoon of January 8, 1981, a strange craft landed on a farm near the village of Trans-en-Provence in the Var region in southeastern France. Physical traces left on the ground were collected by the Gendarmerie within 24 hours and later analyzed in several French government laboratories. Extensive evidence of anomalous activity was detected.

The case was investigated by the Groupe d'Etudes des Phénomènes Aérospatiaux Non-identifiés (GEPAN), or Unidentified Aerospace Phenomena Study Group, established in 1977 within the National Center for Space Studies (CNES) in Toulouse, the French counterpart of NASA. (The functions of GEPAN were reorganized in 1988 into the Service d'Expertise des Phénomènes de Rentrées Atmosphériques or SEPRA). The primary investigator was Jean-Jacques Velasco, the

current head of SEPRA.

The witness was the farmer Renato Nicolai, 55, on whose property the UFO landed and then took-off almost immediately. Thinking that it was a military experimental device, Nicolai notified the local gendarmes on the following day. The gendarmes interviewed Nicolai and collected soil and plant samples from the landing site within 24 hours of the occurrence, notifying GEPAN on January 12 as part of a cooperation agreement for UFO investigation between the two agencies. Further collection of samples and measurements of the site were undertaken by the GEPAN team, and the samples were thoroughly analyzed by several government laboratories.

The first detailed report on the case was published by GEPAN in 1983 in its "Technical Note No. 16, Inquiry 81/01, Analysis of a Trace." Nicolai's testimony to the police was simple and straightforward: "My attention was drawn to a small noise, a kind of little whistling. I turned around and I saw, in the air, a ship which was just about the height of a pine tree at the edge of my property. This ship was not turning but was descending toward the ground. I only heard a slight whistling. I saw no flames, neither underneath or around the ship.

"While the ship was continuing to descend, I went closer to it, heading toward a little cabin. I was able to see very well above the roof. From there I saw the ship standing on the ground.

"At that moment, the ship began to emit another whistling, a constant, consistent whistling. Then it took off and once it was at the height of the trees, it took off rapidly... toward the northeast. As the ship began to lift off, I saw beneath it four openings from which neither smoke nor flames were emitting. The ship picked up a little dust when it left the ground.

"I was at that time about 30 meters [100 feet] from the landing site. I thereafter walked towards the spot and I noticed a circle about two meters [7 feet] in diameter. At certain spots on the curve of the circle, there were tracks (or traces).

"The ship was in the form of two saucers upside down, one against the other. It must have been about 1.5 meters [5 feet] high. It was the color of lead. The ship had a border or type of brace around its circumference. Underneath the brace, as it took off, I saw two kinds of round pieces which could have been landing gear or feet. There were also two circles which looked like trap doors. The two feet, or landing gear, extended about 20 centimeters [8 inches] beneath the body of the whole ship."

The samples of soil and wild alfalfa collected from the landing site, as well as the control samples from varying distances from the epicenter, were subjected to a number of analyses: physico-chemical analysis at the SNEAP laboratory, electronic diffraction studies at Toulouse University, mass spectrometry by ion bombardment at the University of Metz, and biochemical analysis of the vegetable samples at the National Institute of Agronomy Research (INRA), among others.

The Trans-en-Provence case is very likely the most thoroughly scientifically documented CE- II (Close Encounter of the Second Kind) ever investigated. Some of the scientific findings included: "Traces were still perceptible 40 days after the event.

"There was a strong mechanical pressure forced (probably the result of a heavy weight) on the surface.

"A thermatic heating of the soil, perhaps consecutive to or immediately following the shock, the value of which did not exceed 600 degrees.

"The chlorophyll pigment in the leaf samples was weakened from 30 to 50 percent... The young leaves withstood the most serious losses, evolving toward the content and composition more characteristic of old leaves."

"The action of nuclear irradiation does not seem to be analogous with the energy source implied with the observed phenomenon; on the other hand, a specific intensification of the transformation of chlorophyll... could be tied to the action of a type of electric energy field.

"On the biochemical level, the analysis was made on the entirety of the factors of photosynthesis, lipids, sugars and amino acids. There were many differences between those samples further from the spot of the landing and those that were closer to the spot.

"It was possible to qualitatively show the occurrence of an important event which brought with it deformations of the terrain caused by mass, mechanics, a heating effect, and perhaps certain transformations and deposits of trace minerals.

"We cannot give a precise and unique interpretation to this remarkable combination of results. We can state that there is, nonetheless, another confirmation of a very significant event which happened on this spot."

Most of the puzzling biochemical mutations were discovered by Michel Bounias of INRA. Describing the young leaves to a journalist from France-Soir magazine, Bounias stated in 1983 that: "From an anatomical and physiological point, they [leaves] had all the characteristics of their age, but they presented the biochemical characteristics of leaves of an advanced age: old leaves! And that doesn't resemble anything that we know on our planet."

In a technical report published in the Journal of Scientific Exploration, Bounias concluded that: "It was not the aim of the author to identify the exact nature of the phenomenon observed on the 8th of January 1981 at Trans-en-Provence. But it can reasonably be concluded that something unusual did occur that might be consistent, for instance, with an electromagnetic source of stress. The most striking coincidence is that at the same time, French physicist J.P. Petit was plotting the equations that led, a few years later (Petit, 1986), to the evidence that flying objects could be propelled at very high speeds without turbulence nor shock waves using the magnetohydrodynamic effects of Laplace force action!"

Out of a total of 2,500 reports collected officially in France since 1977 and investigated by GEPAN, this case and three other ground trace incidents (where strange ground traces were left after alleged UFO landings) continue to puzzle the original investigator, Jean-Jacques Velasco. At a meeting of the Society for Scientific Exploration (SSE) in Glasgow in 1994, Velasco summarized the "four noteworthy cases" with "effects observed on vegetation":

"These cases have all been the subject of enquiries by the police, then GEPAN or SEPRA. In each of these situations, a UAP [Unidentified Aerospace Phenomena] was observed in direct relation in a zone perturbed by the phenomenon.

"1. 'CHRISTELLE' case of 27/11/1979: Persistence of flattened grass several days after the observation. The samples taken and analyzed by a plant biology laboratory at Toulouse University did not give unequivocal evidence of chemical or biological disturbance of the samples taken from the marked area relative to controls. A study of the mechanical properties of grass tissue subjected to strong mechanical pressure showed that the duration is a more important factor than the mass.

"2. 'TRANS EN PROVENCE' case of 8/01/81: Apparition of a circular print in a crown shape after observation of a metallic object resting on the ground. The vegetation, a kind of wild alfalfa, showed withering of the dried leaves in the central part of the print. The analyses revealed damage of a specific kind affecting the functional relationships of the photosynthetic system.

"3. 'AMARANTE' case of 21/08/82: Severe drying of the stems and leaves on a bush

(amaranth), punctuated by the appearance of raised blades of grass before the phenomenon disappeared. Biochemical analyses revealed that no reported outside agent could be the cause of such effects. Only a corona effect due to powerful electromagnetic fields could partially explain the observations.

"4. 'JOE LE TAXI' case of 7/09/87: Leaf damage on a tree (birch) and functional disturbance of the photosynthetic system after an intense light and sound phenomenon had been observed. This case demonstrated the importance of good sample collection and preservation for biochemical analysis."

Of these four cases, Trans-en-Provence still remains the best documented one. Velasco concluded that, after years of investigations: "The laboratory conclusion that seems to best cover the effects observed and analyzed is that of a powerful emission of electromagnetic fields, pulsed or not, in the microwave frequency range."

SEPRA's latest thrust in the investigation has centered on "experimentally reproducing in the laboratory, continuous and pulsed emissions of microwave fields at various powers and frequencies so as to verify biochemical effects on plants." While the studies are still preliminary, Velasco concluded his SSE presentation with the following statement: "However these initial studies carried out to validate the hypothesis of microwave action on the biological activity of plants in relation with UAPs need to be extended if we are to understand the mechanisms involved at molecular scale. Similarly, an investigation of the frequency range, the power and the exposure time would be useful to confirm the hypothesis of microwaves combined with other fields of electromagnetic forces coming into play in the propulsion of UAPs."

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For other uses, see Vimana (disambiguation).

"Pushpaka Vimana" redirects here. For other uses, see Pushpaka Vimana (disambiguation).

The Pushpaka vimana flying in the sky.

Vimāna are mythological flying palaces or chariots described in Hindu texts and Sanskrit epics. The "Pushpaka Vimana" of Ravana (who took it from Kubera; Rama returned it to Kubera) is the most quoted example of a vimana. Vimanas are also mentioned in Jain texts.

Etymology

Look up vimana in Wiktionary, the free dictionary.

Sculpture of the Pushpaka vimana, as a temple flying in the sky.

The Sanskrit word vimāna (विमान) literally means "measuring out, traversing" or "having been measured out". Monier Monier-Williams defines vimāna as "a car or a chariot of the gods, any self-moving aerial car sometimes serving as a seat or throne, sometimes self-moving and carrying its occupant through the air; other descriptions make the Vimana more like a house or palace, and one kind is said to be seven stories high", and quotes the Pushpaka Vimana of Ravana as an example. It may denote any car or vehicle, especially a bier or a ship as well as a palace of an emperor, especially with seven stories.[1] Nowadays, vimāna, vimān or bimān means "aircraft" in Indian languages, for example, the Bangladesh Biman (national flag carrier of Bangladesh) and in the town names Vimanapura (a suburb of Bangalore) and Vimannagar (a town in Pune). In another context, Vimana is a feature in Hindu temple architecture.

Hindu epics

Ravana rides his Vimana, Pushpaka.

Ramayana

Pushpaka vimana depicted three times, twice flying in the sky and once landed on the ground.

In the Ramayana, the pushpaka ("flowery") vimana of Ravana is described as follows:

The Pushpaka Vimana that resembles the Sun and belongs to my brother was brought by the powerful Ravana; that aerial and excellent Vimana going everywhere at will ... that chariot resembling a bright cloud in the sky ... and the King [Rama] got in, and the excellent chariot at the command of the Raghira, rose up into the higher atmosphere.[2]

It is the first flying vimana mentioned in existing Hindu texts (as distinct from the gods' flying horse-drawn chariots). Pushpaka was originally made by Vishvakarma for Brahma, the Hindu god of creation; later Brahma gave it to Kubera, the God of wealth; but it was later stolen, along with Lanka, by his half-brother, king Ravana.

Mahabharata

A title of Uparichara was received by a king named Vasu after a Vimana (flying chariot) was granted to him by Indra, who was pleased with him. This chariot enabled him to wander (chara) above (upari) all mortals. The Vimana appeared as a crystalline entity in the sky.[3][4]

महाभारतम् आदिपर्व ६४

दैवोपभोग्यं दिव्यं त्वामाकाशे स्फाटिकं महत्। आकाशगं त्वां मद्दत्तं विमानमुपपत्स्यते॥१३॥

त्वमेकः सर्वमर्त्येषु विमानवरमास्थितः। चरिष्यस्युपरिस्थो हि देवो विग्रहवानिव॥१४॥

–Mahabharata

Translation:

Mahabharata - Volume 1 - Adi Parva - 064

The celestial chariot, enjoyable to the deities and beautifully crystalline in the sky, that I have graciously bestowed upon you will come to you.(13)
You alone, on the splendid chariot, residing above all mortals, will wander above, like the embodiment of the divine.(14)

Jain literature

Vimāna-vāsin ('dweller in vimāna') is a class of deities who served the tīrthaṃkara Mahā-vīra.[5] These Vaimānika deities dwell in the Ūrdhva Loka heavens. According to the Kalpa Sūtra of Bhadra-bāhu, the 24th tīrthaṃkara Mahā-vīra himself emerged from the great vimāna Puṣpa-uttara;[6] whereas the 22nd tīrthaṃkara Ariṣṭa-nemi emerged from the great vimāna Aparijita.[7] The tīrthaṃkara-s Abhinandana (4th) and Sumati-nātha (5th) both[8] traveled through the sky in the "Jayanta-vimāna", namely the great vimāna Sarva-artha-siddhi, which was owned by[9] the Jayanta deities; whereas the tīrthaṃkara Dharma-nātha (15th) traveled through the sky in the "Vijaya-vimāna".[10] A vimāna may be seen in a dream, such as the nalinī-gulma.[11][12]

Ashoka Edict IV

Ashoka mentions a model vimana ("aerial chariot") as part of the festivities or procession which were organised during his reign.[13]

In times past, for many hundreds of years, there had ever been promoted the killing of animals and the hurting of living beings, discourtesy to relatives, (and) discourtesy to Sramanas and Brahmanas. But now, in consequence of the practice of morality on the part of king Devanampriya Priyadarsin, the sound of drums has become the sound of morality, showing the people representations of aerial chariots, elephants, masses of fire, and other divine figures.

–Ashoka, Major rock Edict no IV

Samarangana Sutradhara

Chapter 31 of Samarangana Sutradhara, an 11th-century treatise on architecture, discusses machinery and automata, discussing their operation in terms of the four elements and aether, but suggesting that mercury may be an element in its own right.[14] The author says he has personally seen most of the devices he describes in use, but does not specify which ones. The list includes two wooden aircraft, referred to as "vimanas": a "light" one shaped like a huge bird and a "heavy" one shaped like a temple.[15] Both types contain a fire chamber which heats a container of mercury, somehow causing the aircraft to rise from the ground. However, the description is purposely left incomplete for ethical reasons:

The construction of the machines has not been explained
For the sake of secrecy, and not due to lack of knowledge.
In that respect, that should be known as the reason–
They are not fruitful when disclosed[14]

Vaimānika Shāstra

Main article: Vaimānika Shāstra

An illustration of the Shakuna Vimana that is supposed to fly like a bird with hinged wings and tail.[16]

The Vaimānika Shāstra is an early 20th-century Sanskrit text on aeronautics, obtained allegedly by mental channeling, about the construction of vimānas, the "chariots of the Gods". The existence of the text was revealed in 1952 by G. R. Josyer, according to whom it was written by one Pandit Subbaraya Shastry, who dictated it in 1918–1923. A Hindi translation was published in 1959, the Sanskrit text with an English translation in 1973. It has 3000 shlokas in eight chapters. Subbaraya Shastry allegedly stated that the content was dictated to him by Maharishi Bharadvaja.[17] A study by aeronautical and mechanical engineering at Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore in 1974 concluded that the aircraft described in the text were "poor concoctions" and that the author

showed a complete lack of understanding of aeronautics.[18]

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Pushpak Vimana, meaning "an aeroplane with flowers", is a mythical aeroplane found in Ayyavazhi mythology. Akilattirattu Ammanai, the religious book of Ayyavazhi, says that the Pushpak Vimana was sent to carry Ayya Vaikundar to Vaikundam.

A similar reference is found in regards of Saint Tukaram, Maharashtra, India. Lord Vishnu was so impressed by the devotion and singing of Saint Tukaram that when his time came, a Pushpak Viman (a heavenly aircraft shaped as an eagle) came to take him to heaven. Though it is believed that every other human being can go to Heaven without body, Saint Tukaram went to heaven with body (Sadeha Swarga Prapti).

In popular culture

Vimanas have appeared in books, films, games, on the Internet, etc., including:

Biman is the name of national airline of Bangladesh, its name derived from Sanskrit Vimāna.

Vimana is an arcade game from Toaplan wherein the player's ship earns the name.

See also

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BrahmaVishnuShivaAgniAshvinsChandraDattatreyaGaneshaHanumanIndraKamaKartikayaKrishnaKuberaRamaShastaSuryaVarunaVayuVishvakarmaYamamore

Hindu Om symbol

Goddesses

Tridevi

SaraswatiLakshmiParvatiAditiBhumiChhayaDurgaGangaGayatriIndraniKaliMahadeviMahavidyaMatrikasRadhaRatiRohiniRukminiSanjnaSatiShaktiShashthiSitamore

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In the Trans-en-Provence case, an unidentified flying object is claimed to have left physical evidence in the form of burnt residue on a field. The event took place on 8 January 1981, outside the town of Trans-en-Provence in the French department of Var.[1] It was described in Popular Mechanics as "perhaps the most completely and carefully documented sighting of all time." [2]

Renato Nicolai account

The case began on 8 January 1981 at 5 p.m. Renato Nicolai, a 55-year-old farmer, [3] heard a strange whistling sound while performing agricultural work on his property. He then saw a saucer-shaped object about 2.5 m (8 ft) in diameter land about 50 m (160 ft) away at a lower elevation.[1]

According to the witness,

The device had the shape of two saucers, one inverted on top of the other. It must have measured about 1.5 metres in height. It was the color of lead. This device had a ridge all the way around its circumference. Under the machine I saw two kinds of pieces as it was lifting off. They could be reactors or feet. There were also two other circles which looked like trapdoors. The two reactors, or feet, extended about 20 cm (8 in) below the body of the machine.[4]

Nicolai claimed the object took off almost immediately, rising above the treeline and departing to the northeast.[4] It left burn marks on the ground where it had supposedly sat.[1]

Nicolai notified the local gendarmerie the following day.[3][5] They interviewed him, photographed the scene, and collected soil and plant samples from the field. The case was later sent to GEPAN (Groupe d'Étude des Phénomènes Aérospatiaux Non-identifiés) for review.[5]

Analysis of evidence

GEPAN analysis noted that the ground had been compressed by a mechanical pressure of about 4 or 5 tons, and heated to between 300 and 600 °C (572 and 1,112 °F). Trace amounts of phosphate and zinc were found in the sample material, and analysis of resident alfalfa near the landing site showed chlorophyll levels between 30% and 50% lower than expected.[5]

Impressions and explanations

Nicolai had initially believed the object to be an experimental military device. [3] The close proximity of the site to the Canjuers military base makes such a theory generally plausible. However, GEPAN's investigation focused on conventional explanations, such as atmospheric or terrain causes of a terrestrial nature. Despite a joint investigation by GEPAN and the gendarmerie, which lasted for two years, no plausible explanation was found.[5]

Critique

Some French scientists[6] insist that the GEPAN investigation was flawed, especially the study of the physical traces.[7]

The police report said that the traces, which appeared on an active road, looked like some made by the tyre of a car. This explanation was dismissed by GEPAN because of the sole witness said otherwise. The physical traces shown on the picture are not perfect circles, in fact there are two more-or-less semicircles crossing over each other. Also, a circular shape does not coincide with the description of the UFO made by Nicolai. In an interview for French television, Nicolai confirmed that there were vehicles passing by on the road at the time of the sighting.[8]

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A Conceptual View of a UAP Reverse Engineering Program

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The purpose of this article is to provide insight into how a hypothetical UAP recovery and reverse engineering program that began in the late 1940's would have evolved over the last 75 years. I will use history and my knowledge of the aerospace industry and its biggest customer, the Department of Defense, to infer and inform the progression of such a program over time. What different evolutions would it have gone through and why? How would it operate today? Could reverse engineered technology be flying now? That's the speculative journey this article will attempt to undertake. Please note that the article is a blend of speculation and historical events. It is meant to be fictional and used as an example of how such a program could have evolved. The project names are imagined and the companies and technologies mentioned are educated guesses and examples based on historical events.

Origins

The start of the project after World War II was a result of the discovery of crashed unknown vehicles, including the purported Italian craft, Roswell, and others. The vehicles were extremely advanced and their origin was unknown but theorized to be extraterrestrial. There were serious concerns by the

intelligence community and the top levels of the Truman administration that if the existence of these vehicles became public, it could create mass panic, and even lead to war. The vehicles were transported to Wright Field, the location where all the recovered German aircraft were stored including the Messerschmitt 262 jet fighter, as the administration weighed its options.

Their initial decision was to take the path of least resistance. The existing Manhattan Project already had a management structure, top scientists, facilities and laboratory infrastructure, and strong classification and secrecy protocols. If it was good enough for the atomic bomb, it should be good enough for these unknown vehicles. Plus, the heavy lifting to design the original fission bomb was now complete and many of the scientists had time to explore the vehicles while also working on the design for the future fusion bombs.

Evolution 1: Soviet Spies and a Security Clampdown (1947-1950)

Everything changed after the Soviet Union detonated its first atomic bomb in 1949. Julius and Ethel Rosenberg were convicted of espionage in 1951 for passing many technical secrets to the Soviets, including plans for the atomic bomb. They had managed to infiltrate the Manhattan Project in the early 1940's by recruiting Ethel's brother, who worked at Los Alamos National Laboratory, as well as an engineer at Oak Ridge National Laboratory who specialized in manufacturing weapons-grade uranium.

The realization that the Manhattan Project had been compromised must have come as a shock to the administration and the national security apparatus. The country's most secret program had been breached and its potential doomsday technology had been passed to the Soviet Union, accelerating their development of the bomb. And now the administration and the highest echelons of the defense and intelligence communities were sitting on a secret far more important than the atomic bomb. The knowledge that the US was in possession of highly advanced and possibly extraterrestrial craft could not fall into Soviet hands like the atomic bomb designs. A nuclear war with the Soviet Union was an existential threat to the US, and the technology in the recovered vehicles might provide an edge in battle. Draconian measures had to be taken to keep the secret at all costs.

The program was hastily pulled out of the compromised Manhattan Project and placed under a new entity, Project Whorl. Some of the scientists and engineers from the Manhattan Project were assigned to Whorl after signing new NDA's. The remainder were debriefed and asked to sign NDA's pledging to never speak of the program again. A dozen individuals were designated by the administration to function as a Board of Trustees and oversee the program. These individuals, the majority of whom were senior leaders in the defense and intelligence community, were given lifetime appointments but could resign under duress and be replaced by another administration appointee. Only the dozen Trustees would know the full extent of the program and the results of the research. They reported to no one but President Truman on this matter and were not obligated to give him periodic briefings to limit exposure in the White House, where there could be leaks. And they would maintain their current positions of leadership at the Pentagon and intelligence agencies to continue to have access to those resources and suppress any leaks.

The Trustees implemented a security apparatus for Whorl more complicated than a Rube Goldberg device. They began by reclassifying all aspects of the technology using the Atomic Energy Commissions' clearance levels for nuclear explosives, a level of classification that most defense department and intelligence community personnel did not possess. They then implemented levels of compartmentalization never seen before. Every aspect of the program was divided into small components, and every component had its own special access list of individuals cleared to work on it. The Trustees personally vetted and approved all special access lists. A select few of the top scientists were cleared for more than one special access list but only the Trustees had access to all. They understood this system would severely limit the research progress, but the security of the

project was paramount.

The Trustees also needed to find a funding source for Whorl outside the Manhattan Project. They proposed that the Truman administration increase funding for basic research and transfer the money to Whorl through shell companies and other tricks of the trade. With new management, personnel, operating procedures, security protocols, and secure funding, Project Whorl was ready to embark on the most ambitious undertaking in human history.

Evolution 2: Early Years (1951-1962)

Organization and Operations:

During the early years, Whorl was organized under three directorates: Hardware, commonly referred to as nuts and bolts; Organics; and Intelligence.

The Hardware Directorate was responsible for all the physical parts of the craft, including the structure, materials, electronics, power generation, and propulsion, as long as those components were not made of organic material. All partial or fully recovered vehicles were taken to Wright Field, which was eventually renamed Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. Fully intact craft were kept there for attempts at flight testing, and later also at Area 51 after the Atomic Energy Commission acquired the land in the mid 1950's and added it to the Nevada Test Site. Partial or damaged vehicles were disassembled and their components sent to the special access programs that dealt with the specific technology. The majority of the work occurred at Wright-Patterson, Area 51 (after 1955), and the three big national laboratories, Los Alamos, Lawrence Livermore, and Sandia.

Private industry was also involved on a smaller scale. Nearly all the electronic components were passed on to Bell Laboratories, who had the most expertise of anyone in the world at the time. They were tasked with reverse engineering the components and finding military and civilian applications. And one of the intact craft, a cigar-shaped object that confounded the scientists at Wright-Patterson, was transferred to the Ramo-Woolridge Corporation, which became TRW after merging with Thompson Products in 1958. Ramo-Woolridge was formed in 1953 by Simon Ramo (dual PhD's in Physics and Electrical Engineering from CalTech) and Dean Woolridge (PhD in Physics from CalTech and classmate of Ramo), both veterans from Hughes Aircraft. Soon after the company was founded, it became the lead contractor for the Atlas intercontinental ballistic missile, outcompeting all established defense contractors. Ramo-Woolridge was tasked by Project Whorl to explore and reverse engineer the propulsion concepts of the cylindrical object, which unlike the disks and the crescents, had no way of creating aerodynamic lift. Perhaps there were potential applications for missile design.

To compartmentalize the technologies, Ramo-Woolridge created a division called Space Technology Laboratories (STL) to explore the disk and other advanced concepts. In 1959, several established defense contractors complained to Congress that TRW had unfair access to advanced technology that the rest of the contractors did not have. Congress then recommended that STL be converted to a non-profit organization. And in 1960, The Aerospace Corporation was spun-off from TRW as an independent non-profit with nearly half of STL's employees and an intact flying cigar.

The Organics Directorate was responsible for all biological components, ranging from occupant remains to organic systems and materials. Occupant remains were studied at Wright-Patterson and Area 51 (after 1955), and some organic systems and materials were sent to the three national laboratories, depending on the component types.

The Intelligence Directorate had both intelligence and counterintelligence duties. The intelligence side worked with the general intelligence community to collect and analyze UAP sightings and encounters, as well as find crashed vehicles. The counterintelligence component then worked with other partners such as the Air Force's UFO project offices, including Projects Sign, Grudge, and

Blue Book, as well as the Condon Committee, to suppress the information from the public.

In addition to the directorates, the project also became tightly integrated with a subset of the Air Technical Intelligence Center (ATIC), which was renamed the Foreign Technology Division in 1961 and was also housed at Wright-Patterson. ATIC and its major subcontractor, Batelle Memorial Institute, were responsible for the retrieval and analysis of Soviet technology, including aircraft, satellites, and ICBM's. The subset of ATIC that Whorl was tightly integrated with had expertise in retrieving the anomalous craft that Whorl sought. This part of ATIC partnered with intelligence agencies and privately funded paramilitary units to retrieve craft from remote locations and even behind enemy lines.

Progress:

Much progress was accomplished with electronics. The scientists at Bell Laboratories successfully replicated and accelerated technology they were already working on using the electronic components they were given without any explanation about the source. Over the next few years Bell Laboratories would go on to miniaturize the transistor and invent the laser, the photovoltaic cell, the charge-coupled device (CCD), integrated circuits, phased control scanning arrays, the Unix operating system, the programming languages C and C++, and many others. Its scientists received nine Nobel Prizes for these inventions and enabled the digital revolution that would span the next 70 years.

Unlike the electronic components, progress on understanding the power, propulsion, and materials technology was excruciatingly slow during this phase of the program. The scientists at Wright-Patterson were able to get a disk that was secured to the ground to levitate by stimulating it with electromagnetic radiation at specific frequencies but could not decipher the science behind it. With the frustrating lack of progress, the Trustees came up with a different approach. They would use their high-ranking positions to fund external research with private industry to attempt to duplicate the technology they had seen. If they could not reverse engineer it, perhaps they could design it from scratch.

One of these attempts was a project with Avro Canada to design a flying disk called the Avrocar. Instead of an inertial mass reduction system, the proof of concept was powered by a turbine in its center that vectored its exhaust downward for lift and around a control flap for stability and control. The proof of concept was designed to prove the viability and stability of the flying disk design, but it failed because it was an unstable design, with the aerodynamic center being ahead of the center of gravity, not behind. This would not be an issue with modern avionics and fly-by-wire systems. All modern fighters are designed to be unstable. But it was an issue then.

Another of these attempts was designed to tackle the levitating propulsion system for the flying disk. The project would attempt to invent an anti-gravity system from the ground up instead of reverse engineering it. This project began in 1955 with the establishment of the Research Institute for Advanced Studies (RIAS) at the Glenn L. Martin Company, which later became Martin-Marietta and ultimately merged with Lockheed in 1995 to form the modern company Lockheed Martin. RIAS was founded by George Bunker, the president of Glen L. Martin at the time, to advance aerospace science, but its real goal was to develop anti-gravity technology. The work was directed by George S. Trimble, Vice President for Aviation and Advanced Propulsion Systems at Martin.

As word of the project spread and became sensationalized in a few newspapers, other prominent aerospace scientists at the time like Lear and Sikorsky jumped on the idea and started their own research. The Project Whorl Trustees panicked and moved Trimble's research to Wright-Patterson. They then instituted a

disinformation campaign that essentially erased all serious anti-gravity research programs from existence by the early 1960's.

Little to no progress was achieved with organics as the science of nucleic acids and DNA was still in its infancy. But counterintelligence had been extremely productive. Projects Sign, Grudge, and especially Blue Book had been very successful at debunking any information about "flying saucers" to the point that talking about it was met with stigma and laughter.

Evolution 3: Congress Fights Back (1963-1971)

After President Kennedy was assassinated in 1963, the Warren Commission tried hard to convince the world that Harvey Oswald was a lone shooter with no understood motivations. Conspiracy theorists went on to blame the Mafia, and even Cuban exiles who were upset that Kennedy had pulled the air support for the Bay of Pigs invasion. But then some other leaks appeared from seemingly nowhere about how the President had sought to end the Cold War by sharing Project Whorl's existence and technology with the Soviet Union. He would offer them the chance to work together for the betterment of humanity and as allies in the potential defense against an invasion by the non-human intelligence (NHI) responsible for the high-tech craft. Reports continued to multiply that these craft were increasingly seen in military airspace and around nuclear weapons facilities, lending further credence to Kennedy's concerns.

As the rumors persisted that Kennedy's technology sharing plan was the real reason for his assassination, whistleblowers secretly began to speak to high-ranking members of Congress. One of these members was Barry Goldwater, a senator from Arizona who served on the Select Committee on Intelligence and who became the Republican Party's presidential nominee in 1964. In different letters and interviews in 1975, 1988, and 1994, Senator Goldwater went on the record to say that he spoke directly with General Curtis LeMay, Chief of Staff of the Air Force at the time, and asked to get access to the UAP project at Wright-Patterson AFB. General LeMay not only denied the access but got "madder than hell," cussed him out and told the senator to never ask that question again. Goldwater never once doubted the existence of the project. He simply chalked up the denial to the project being classified "above Top Secret."

Senator Goldwater lost the presidential election to Lyndon B. Johnson and was unable to expose Project Whorl, much to the relief of the Trustees. But other figures in Congress, especially Senator Mike Mansfield, the Senate Majority Leader and a supporter of President Kennedy, were not ready to give up. Congress still controlled the purse strings, after all.

After learning from a whistleblower that Project Whorl was funded by carving out funds from the basic research budget, Senator Mansfield knew what to do. The Mansfield Amendment of 1969, passed in the Military Authorization Act in 1970, prohibited the Defense Department from financing "any research project or study unless that project or study has a direct or apparent relationship to a specific military function or operation." This amendment meant that the executive branch could no longer keep the project secret from at least the Gang of Eight if it wanted funding, given that by law the Gang of Eight had to be briefed on all projects related to specific military functions and operations, even those that were waived and unacknowledged.

And to make sure there were no loopholes, a second Mansfield Amendment in 1973 tackled the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) and also prohibited it from allocating funds for defense research to projects with no direct military application.

The Mansfield amendments were a huge blow to Project Whorl. Panic set in among the Trustees as they scheduled urgent meetings with top officials from the Nixon

administration, including the president himself. Out of those meetings came a brilliant idea. The Gang of Eight has to be briefed on all special access programs, even those that are waived and unacknowledged, but private industry also performs self-initiated and self-directed research and development on projects of potential interest to the Department of Defense. These projects, known as Independent Research and Development (IRAD), are reimbursed by the DoD to the private companies, and can be classified all the way up to unacknowledged and waived special access programs. However, they do not have to be reported to the Gang of Eight since they are company directed and are not under a DoD contract. The company budget is simply reimbursed by the DoD.

Now they had a new funding mechanism, but it would require the transfer of all hardware assets to private industry. The Trustees were concerned about maintaining control of the assets and the intellectual property once such a transfer occurred. And ironclad contracts could not be enforced because the project had to be strictly categorized as an IRAD, so it had to be company-directed. The Trustees needed to be able to hold something over the companies to maintain control. And then an opportunity fell in their lap.

In late 1970, Lockheed was near bankruptcy because of the large debt they had built up to fund the L-1011 Tristar commercial aircraft program. They approached the Nixon administration for a \$250 million loan guarantee to avoid insolvency. That is about \$1.9 billion in today's dollars. Here was an opportunity to transfer the assets to a private defense contractor while still maintaining leverage over the project without a contract that would endanger the IRAD classification. Lockheed executives would also be incented to accept the risk associated with the project because without the loan guarantee they would soon be unemployed.

Negotiations between the Trustees, top Nixon administration officials, and Lockheed executives began immediately and concluded in February, 1971. Lockheed accepted nearly all the terms, including hiring several scientists and engineers from Project Whorl, as well as letting the Trustees assign the security director for the project who would have final say on the project access list. In May 1971, The Nixon administration introduced "The Emergency Loan Guarantee Act" providing Lockheed with the funds and sent it to Congress for approval.

After months of intense debate, including lobbying against it by other aerospace competitors and a tie-breaking vote in the Senate by Vice President Spiro T. Agnew, Congress finally passed the bill in August, which by then had become known as the "Lockheed Loan." President Nixon then promptly signed it and set up the Emergency Loan Guarantee Board, which included some of the Trustees, to oversee the loan. Congress demanded that its General Accounting Office (GAO) be given access to examine the Emergency Loan Guarantee Board's records. This demand was flatly refused by the Nixon administration who then accused Congress of harassing and bullying the loan board.

A gigantic effort then began to transfer Project Whorl's hardware assets and research to a new umbrella IRAD project at Lockheed codenamed Athena. In cases where the assets could not be physically moved or Lockheed had no suitable place to store them, the government leased or transferred the facilities directly to the company. Thus began the era of private industry oversight.

But Project Whorl would not completely end. The Hardware Directorate was disbanded but the Intelligence and Organics Directorates were folded into a new organization named Resplendent Black. Funding for intelligence and counterintelligence would be carved from the intelligence community budgets, and funding for organic research would be carved from non-defense research budget sources such as the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

The Aerospace Corporation was allowed to hold on to the flying cigar craft. They had made quite a bit of progress on the gravity defying propulsion system and the Trustees did not want to interrupt it. The company set up its own IRAD and signed agreements to share the research with Lockheed.

Evolution 4: The Stealth Years (1972-1980)

Lockheed formed a new division under their Advanced Development Programs (Skunk Works) division to oversee Athena and all its sub-projects. The new division, unofficially dubbed Shadow Works, was positioned as a research and development idea factory that would feed its inventions and technology directly to Skunk Works for their projects.

Shadow Works initially focused on materials. Lockheed was chasing radar cross section (RCS) reduction at the time and materials that absorbed and disrupted electromagnetic waves were in high demand. They also needed materials that were light and strong, since early stealth aircraft shapes were not aerodynamically efficient and could not have large control surfaces. By using the latest scanning technology, they were able to discern the composite makeup of the materials and noticed that some of external surfaces appeared to be electrified. When they pulsed different currents and voltages through them, they detected that the materials changed their radio frequency (RF) and optical signatures. In some cases, they absorbed more RF and in others they reflected it more strongly. The same thing happened with the visible spectrum. In some cases, the materials became brighter and in others duller. The infrared (IR) spectrum was impacted as well, and the materials displayed the ability to present warmer and cooler temperatures depending on the electrical stimulation.

Reverse engineering the materials was largely beyond the technology the Lockheed engineers had. So they attempted to duplicate the function of the anomalous materials with available technology. The Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL) was already working with Lockheed on composite radar absorbing materials (RAM), so Shadow Works partnered with them and ushered in the golden era of composites. During the remainder of the 1970's and throughout the 1980's, new composite materials were introduced at a dizzying pace. Aluminum and titanium gave way to carbon and ceramic composites, followed by metal matrix composites and thermoplastics. Thermoplastics had a unique ability. Surface damage on an aircraft could be repaired by a field technician using a device that looked similar to a hair dryer. These materials all found their way into Lockheed's new prototypes and production aircraft, including the F-117, F-22, and F-35.

Lockheed also experimented with electrical stimulation of different composite materials similar in makeup to the anomalous materials that had demonstrated signature management properties. While not as successful as the new composite materials, they were able to lower the RCS of highly reflective areas such as wing leading edges by running electrified conduits through them.

DoD Concerns Over Lockheed:

In 1975 DARPA devised a program called Experimental Survivable Testbed (XST) to build a prototype of a low RCS aircraft. Lockheed and Northrop both opted to participate and were awarded contracts to build full-scale wooden mockups that would be tested in an Air Force radar target scatter facility at White Sands to determine their RCS.

Lockheed entered a modified version of their Hopeless Diamond concept codenamed Have Blue. The design was still made up of a series of flat diamond-like facets, but its trailing edge was notched instead of shaped like a half-diamond. Radar absorbing materials derived from Project Athena were applied to its faceted surfaces.

Northrop's entry looked more like a blended wing-body with smooth surface and rounded edges and a delta wing with a half-diamond trailing edge. There was not a single flat facet in sight. Its surface was covered with Northrop's version of radar absorbing materials. The RCS model is shown below.

At the end of the XST competition, the Lockheed Have Blue design managed a convincing win over the Northrop XST prototype in RCS signature. It was nearly invisible from almost any angle. However, the Northrop prototype performed well, especially considering it had no access to Athena derived materials. Furthermore, the Northrop prototype had better aerodynamic performance and lower production risks since it avoided the faceted design altogether.

The biggest concern that top DoD officials and the Trustees had about transferring the hardware assets to Lockheed had just been realized. Unless something was done, Lockheed was going to have an advantage on every future contract that required stealth. And once the propulsion system was cracked, Lockheed would be untouchable. It was time to break up the monopoly.

With consent from DoD and top officials in the Ford administration, the Trustees instructed Lockheed to share all the Athena materials data with the Air Force Research Lab (AFRL). AFRL was then instructed to share all the information with Northrop. The technology was shared as if it had been developed by AFRL directly to maintain Athena's secrecy. Relevant technology, especially in the case of temperature resistant materials, was also shared with Pratt & Whitney and General Electric, the two main manufacturers of military jet engines at the time.

After Northrop had the technology in hand, they were given a second chance at designing a low RCS prototype using the rounded and blended surfaces of their XTS design. The contract was awarded by DARPA in 1976. The prototype was named Tacit Blue and first flew in 1982.

Tacit Blue became the prodigy of stealth design. While the faceted surface concept did make it to production in the Lockheed F-117, every other stealth aircraft since has used the principles modeled in Tacit Blue. The Northrop B-2 specially benefited from the full technology transfer. In March 1992, Aviation Week & Space Technology reported that the B-2's wing had an electrified leading edge. Northrop had put Lockheed's discovery to good use.

Evolution 5: Breakthrough (1980-1990)

On December 26, 1980, there was a UAP sighting at Royal Air Force Woodbridge in Suffolk, England. Woodbridge was being used at the time by the US Air Force to store nuclear weapons. Security guards saw lights descending into nearby Rendlesham Forest and upon approaching them, witnessed a bright metallic object. Days later investigators would find radioactive impressions in the ground along with burn marks and broken branches on nearby trees.

What actually transpired was that a UAP that was surveilling RAF Woodbridge, likely for the nuclear bombs stored there, suffered a malfunction and crashed in Rendlesham Forest. The partially broken up craft was fully retrieved by a Foreign Technology Division team made up mostly of Batelle contractors and was initially taken to a secret British Aerospace facility. During the crash, part of the structure had been split open, allowing full access to the interior. This was a gold mine for the reverse engineering project. After initial examinations and some disassembly to ensure the craft was safe to transport, it was shipped to a Lockheed facility in Nevada near Area 51.

Breakthroughs in the technology began to appear quickly. The Aerospace Corporation had floated a hypothesis for years that the craft used negative matter as the source of propulsion but was never able to prove it. Negative matter is not antimatter. It is a proposed solution for dark energy. The gravitational field of an object made of positive matter causes all other objects, including those made of negative matter, to move towards it. The

gravitational field of an object made of negative matter would have the reverse effect, thus it would cause all other objects made of both positive (what we see and interact with) and negative matter to move away from it. This reverse gravity property is proposed as the origin of dark energy as clumps of negative matter, held together by electric charges, would push all other matter away and lead to the expanding universe.

With full access to the interior, the Athena engineers were able to identify and study the propulsion modules. They were spherical containers with three interior hulls. The outer hull contained ionized octagonal modules that appeared to float in a vacuum. The mid hull was filled with a viscous dark purple fluid, similar in texture to mercury. And the inner hull consisted of a solid sphere made of an incredibly dense and anomalous material. While the purpose of the outer and inner hulls remained a mystery, the engineers were able to ascertain that the viscous mercury-like fluid inside the mid hull exhibited properties of negative matter.

They devised a way to extract and store the fluid which they named cavorite, a material that can negate the force of gravity introduced in H. G. Wells' *The First Men in the Moon*, first published in 1900. Armed with this knowledge, they revisited other crashed and damaged vehicles and managed to extract additional cavorite.

A new team was assembled to design a ship that would use cavorite as its main propulsion method. They were unable to duplicate the spherical modules used by the anomalous craft, but they were confident they could engineer a gravity defying vehicle with this wondrous reverse gravity material. The first hurdle to overcome was how to use cavorite to move a vehicle in different directions. The solution was to position the cavorite in a geometrical pattern inside the structure and place a positive mass in front of it in the desired direction of movement. The cavorite would repel the positive mass away from it and the positive mass would attract the cavorite toward it, resulting in a perpetual acceleration in the direction of motion as shown in the illustration below.

Now that they had the working concept, it was time to engineer the system. The positive masses (M^+) would need to be applied and removed quickly to control the vehicle. After months of testing different ideas, the team zeroed in on water as the positive mass. They designed a spherical magnetic container for ionized cavorite and wrapped it with a larger sphere that was divided into sections. They named the device a hydrograv. Water could be pumped in and out of the outer sections to create the rapid changes in positive mass to direct the vehicle as seen below.

With a very limited amount of cavorite and no ability to duplicate it, at least for now, the team had to use it sparingly. They had not been able to replicate the microlayer engineered composites that made the vehicles extremely light. And having to add a large power source, a high-speed water pump, and a water reservoir was only going to make matters worse. The only solution was to build a structurally rigid hybrid airship with ducted fans for conventional flight, and then use the water injection system to test the performance of the cavorite. A low-weight rigid airship when combined with just a small amount of cavorite onboard would be nearly weightless and have almost no inertial mass. So even the ducted fans would have extreme performance.

They also wanted the design to be stealthy so it could be used as a reconnaissance or even an attack vehicle in an emergency. So they settled on two competing plans. One would be a diamond shape, similar to Lockheed's Hopeless Diamond concept, and the other would be a triangle, which had also been studied

extensively as a low-observable design. The propulsion spheres (hydrogravs), water pump, and ducted fans would be shared between them.

The triangle design, codenamed Ramses, would use three hydrogravs located at the triangle points, with a combined pump/water reservoir located in the center. Water would be pumped into and out of the different sections of the outer sphere of the hydrogravs via a sophisticated variable-geometry multichannel pipe. The rear end housed two ducted fans that would be used to propel the vehicle when the hydrogravs were empty. The interior was filled with helium for the airship effect, and the whole system was controlled by an onboard VAX minicomputer with instructions from a pilot using a sophisticated fly-by-wire system. The major components are detailed below.

The diamond design, codenamed Nefertari, was larger and employed four hydrogravs at the diamond points. It was similar to Ramses except only one ducted fan was necessary since it carried four hydrogravs and had even less inertial mass. The major components are detailed below.

The final designs turned out to be much bigger than planned because of unexpected excess weight that required additional airship volume, and both vehicles ended up exceeding 200 feet in length. Since there were so many adversary ISR assets pointed at the Nevada facilities, they decided to test the initial prototypes in an inconspicuous location because they were too big to hide in flight, even at night. Griffiss AFB, in Rome, NY, housed a wing of B-52's and KC-135's. But it was also the home of the Rome Air Development Center, a unit of the Air Force Research Laboratory that had been involved in previous UAP research. It was the perfect place that no one was looking at.

The first pure airship prototypes without the hydrogravs began flying out of Griffiss AFB in 1983, and continued for the next several years as the designs were modified. These hulking ships led to the Hudson Valley sightings of the mid 1980's, which were debunked as ultralight aircraft flying in formation by the Trustees and their allies.

Ramses first flew in 1986, fully equipped with three hydrogravs. The handling was tricky at first, but eventually they put it through its paces. And perform it did. The team quickly discovered that the pilot could stand massive acceleration because of the inertial mass reduction provided by the negative matter. And if the pilot could stand it, so could the structure, so all structural concerns dissipated quickly. And then they stumbled into an even greater effect. They had been worried by the massive sonic booms such large vehicles would create, until they tried it. The faster the vehicle accelerated, the less potent the sonic boom became, until they reached an acceleration where there was no sonic boom at all.

The team physicists were able to devise that in general relativity a moving negative mass causes parallel space-time geodesic lines to diverge. The effect is similar to what would be seen in a wormhole. With a strong-enough acceleration, the geodesic lines diverge enough to allow the vehicle to fly through a tunnel in space-time as seen below.

Traveling through such a tunnel avoids all frictional drag and heating since there is no air to push through. It also negates any sonic booms even at high hypersonic speed. The Athena team had truly built an out-of-this-world craft.

The diamond-shaped craft, Nefertari, first flew in 1987. While it displayed similar eye-opening performance to Ramses, the craft was not as structurally

stable and kept developing troubling oscillations at different performance points. The team worked hard to stabilize the structure but never quite eliminated all the oscillations.

The two prototypes were flown to Europe in early 1989 and based at RAF Machrihanish in Scotland. Special facilities to house the vehicles that had been constructed there under the guise of making the base a potential emergency landing site for the Space Shuttle. From the UK, the vehicles were flown over the European theatre and even very close to the Soviet Union to test their stealth and speed against Soviet technology.

This led to many sightings that the Trustees had to work hard to debunk. In 1989 Ramses was spotted over the North Sea being escorted back to RAF Machrihanish by two F-111s and a KC-135 after a systems failure. The presence of the KC-135 led people to believe that it was refueling a secret US hypersonic craft. But the KC-135 was really there to refuel the F-111's on the long trip back to Machrihanish. And in 1990, Nefertari was seen twice, once over Belgium, where F-16s were scrambled to intercept her with no luck, and a second time near Calvine in Scotland. The Calvine sighting was a near disaster for Project Athena. The vehicle was performing a hover test in high winds while being escorted by a Harrier jet. Two hikers noticed the giant diamond in the sky and snapped the picture famously known as the Calvine photo. The world had actual proof of a man-made craft using anomalous technology. The Trustees had to work hard to make the picture disappear, but it has recently resurfaced and remains very controversial.

Evolution 6: Industry Rumbblings and the Hunt for More Cavorite (1991-2003)

The fight over access to the new materials technology did not end with Northrop, Pratt & Whitney, and GE. In 1991 Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney cancelled the A-12 program due to complications with the composite materials used on the airframe that increased the aircraft's weight by 30% over the design specification. The McDonnell Douglas/General Dynamics team had been awarded a development contract for the A-12 in 1988 after winning the competition for the Advanced Tactical Aircraft program. They had won with a novel triangle flying wing design that had been nicknamed the "Flying Dorito" as seen below.

After cancelling the contract, Cheney asked McDonnell Douglas and General Dynamics to repay nearly two billion dollars of development funds. The two contractors refused and filed a lawsuit against the DoD. Part of the lawsuit stated that the DoD was in possession of technology that could have helped with the A-12's weight problems but did not make the technology available to them.

The Air Force Research Laboratory had already started to transfer the material technology to McDonnell Douglas's Phantom Works division (now part of Boeing), and the process was accelerated because of the lawsuit. In 1992 Phantom Works started an IRAD project to build a prototype using this technology. The prototype, nicknamed Bird of Prey, first flew in 1996 at Area 51 and had amazing technology including active camouflage where it could change the color and brightness of the skin to match the surroundings. The picture below shows the prototype in flight.

The suit was eventually settled financially in 2014 with minor concessions paid out by the two firms. By then General Dynamics's Fort Worth Division had been bought out by Lockheed and McDonnell Douglas had merged with Boeing.

Ramses continued to fly well and was used operationally a few times as a reconnaissance vehicle. But Nefertari could never fully overcome the oscillations and the design was abandoned. As a replacement, Project Athena developed a smaller and more advanced triangle craft was designed and built using the advances in material technology that had been developed through the mid 1990's. The new smaller and very powerful triangle was codenamed Osiris. It was fitted with all four of Nefertari's hydrogravs and had zero inertial mass. Three hydrogravs were placed on the triangle points, and the fourth was placed in the center. The pump/reservoir unit was split into two units in front and behind the center hydrograv. The ducted fans were completely removed from this configuration and it flew entirely on hydrograv power. This is the vehicle that spawned the Aurora rumors.

This vehicle was extremely successful and the Trustees wanted many more of them. A dozen of these vehicles would give the US absolute superiority in any conflict. But Project Athena had not been able to obtain any more cavorite. The last crash since Rendlesham had been in Mongolia in 1991 and Russian and Chinese teams actually engaged in armed combat over the retrieval, with China eventually bringing the wreckage home. That meant the only way to obtain more cavorite was to intentionally bring down a UAP. Kinetic attempts by US and Soviet pilots had been fatal in the past so that was not an option. There had to be another way.

They settled on bringing down a sphere. Until the mid-1990's, the sphere UAP had always flown in close proximity to a disk-shaped mothership, but during the Balkan wars in the mid 1990's the behavior changed. The spheres began to fly far from the disks at regular flight patterns, in a manner that appeared to resemble systematic surveillance paths. The patterns became predictable enough to attempt a capture. Two C-130s were equipped with giant nets and flew in front of one of the predictable sphere's flight patterns. The sphere simply stopped, turned, and flew around them with ease.

The next attempt was to use a prototype EMP projection device developed by Sandia National Laboratory. They set the device below the predicted flight path and detonated it as the sphere flew by. It worked as planned and the sphere crashed on a farm in Serbia. FTD retrieved the object and delivered it to the Athena facilities in Nevada.

After they finally managed to cut it open, they found no traces of cavorite. The spheres were powered by powerful superconductors set in a spherical grid that pushed against the Earth's magnetic field to generate lift and motion. They were aerodynamic vehicles in the sense that they experienced friction and drag, and there was no evidence they could even reach supersonic speeds. The disappointment was palpable. The Trustees did not dare to try to bring down one of the larger disks or even a crescent for fear of starting a conflict. And the less menacing cylinders had not been seen for two decades. So there was no more cavorite to be had unless they were able to reach another crash before the Russians and the Chinese.

There were a couple of attempts to expose the program in the mid to late 1990's. One was from an inspector general who was conducting an audit, and the second was by Admiral Thomas Wilson, deputy director of the DIA in 1997. His attempt and rebuff by the trustees are well documented by Dr. Eric Davis in the Wilson-Davis memo which was recently entered into the congressional record by Congressman Mike Gallagher.

After these close calls the Trustees made the decision to stop briefing presidential administrations. George H. W. Bush's administration was the last to be briefed.

Evolution 7: The Tic-Tac Scare and the Whistleblowers (2004-present)

In the fall of 2004, the Trustees received reports of a new breed of fastwalkers that were entering the Earth's atmosphere at high speed and would then slow down and cruise at around 100 knots at 80,000 feet or higher. This behavior was completely new. In November the USS Nimitz carrier strike group, which included the USS Princeton, a Ticonderoga-class guided missile cruiser with the powerful SPY-1B radar, began to spot squadrons of this new fastwalker descending to the water surface in mere seconds from 80,000 ft, then return to altitude and continue the slow cruise.

On November 14, 2004, Commander David Fravor and Lt. Commander Alex Dietrich were flying their F-18's on a training mission when they were vectored to one of these vehicles that had quickly descended from 80,000 feet. They encountered it over the water interacting with a large, submerged object. As Cmd. Fravor descended, the 40-foot-long Tic-Tac shaped vehicle engaged him and eventually darted off at incredible speed, appearing at the F-18's CAP point 60 miles away.

The incident terrified the Trustees. The Tic-Tac had shown knowledge of the F-18's military tactics, and was monitoring their communication, or hacking their computers, to know where the CAP point was. Their greatest fear had always been that the anomalous intelligence was preparing an invasion, and these new vehicles with their jaw-dropping performance seemed to be far more threatening than ones from the past. They had classified the large cylinders as transport vehicles, and the disks were perceived to be surveillance vehicles as well as motherships to the smaller spheres. The crescents were assumed to be light and maneuverable craft that protected the larger transport vessels. But the Tic-Tac was a full-blown performance machine, more like a true military fighter craft than any of the others.

The Trustees immediately set out to build a prototype. Since no more cavorite had been harvested, they ordered the dismantling of Ramses to reuse the hydrogravs. The idea was to use a hydrograv at each end of a small cylindrical structure, with a small pump and reservoir in the center. The working design was codenamed Thoth.

Because of the lack of aerodynamic lift, Thoth took many years to perfect. They essentially had to wait until computing speed caught up so they could make the thousands of calculations per second necessary to maintain balance. This period was agonizingly long for Project Athena. Progress slowed to a crawl, morale was at its lowest, and other Pentagon programs started to encroach on UAP research such as AATIP.

The non-human intelligence had also become bolder, encroaching on military training spaces on an almost daily basis as if daring the DoD to do something about it. This much visibility led to the Trustees' greatest fear, whistleblowers. It began as a trickle in 2017 with an article in the New York Times and continued to fester with attention from CBS's 60 Minutes and other reputable outlets. By 2023 the visibility of the project and the growing interest shown by Congress was close to becoming a full-blown disaster, with many of the Trustees and industry executives fearing congressional hearings, and perhaps even jail.

Dozens of whistleblowers came forward to the Inspector General of the Intelligence Community with details of recovered craft and reverse engineering programs. And one of the final blows to the program came on February 10, 2023, during the frenzy of the Chinese spy balloon, as an F-22 intercepted and brought down a cylindrical silver object that was travelling at 35-40 knots at an altitude of 40,000 feet over Alaska. Thoth had been shot down. The Biden Administration was not aware of the program, and realized how much in the dark they were after they recovered the craft's remnants. President Biden immediately appointed a UAP Task Force chaired by Jake Sullivan, the National Security

Advisor, to uncover what was going on and act accordingly.

As of the time of this writing, Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer, in partnership with Jake Sullivan, was attempting to pass legislation to lift the veil from Project Athena and return all recovered craft, materials, and intellectual property to the US Government. While I fully expect the vast majority of the program to remain classified, the existence of recovered technology and organic materials from non-human intelligence will be impossible to deny.

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Looks like some kinda mech suit

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Bro, District 10 footage just dropped. Blomkamp gone HAM.

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We're cooked

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Video of this image

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Wow! Pretty amazing video, worth checking out.

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DaftWarrior

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Look at the little NHI and his exo suit. So cute.

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Looks like a transformer with poorly fitting skaters helmet

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that was a well fitting comment .

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Hey don't make fun of transformers with "special needs" ok

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Wapiti_s15

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WTH this is now removed from the front page.

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Look, maybe it's not a UAP but people need to stop saying it's all balloons. That's not a fucking balloon.

ChabbyMonkey

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1y ago

Confirmation bias is a hell of a drug. Lots of self-proclaimed skeptics are nothing more than denialists, happy to accept circumstantial evidence when it means they don't have to consider being watched by something older and smarter than us. I think it's Ego.

But I see it all the time; sometimes a clip of a UFO gets posted with no accompanying "extraordinary claim" about alien life, and all it takes is one person to confidently shout AI/photoshop/drone/balloons/lens flare/image compression/literally anything else and suddenly that mere possibility is taken as objective evidence.

Humans are weak to confident personalities, so one person confidently shouting something is fake can sway people who may be skeptical but scientifically minded.

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DaftWarrior

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1y ago

Skeptics need to start providing evidence for their claims of balloons/AI/artifacts. Saying "oh it's obviously a drone/balloon" isn't enough anymore. Find the model of drone, the type of balloon. It has been done time and time before. This type of dismissal is no different than a believer saying "it's obviously a non-terrestrial craft!".

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Man... what in the gd fuck is that lol

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Star Wars probe droid.

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hobby_gynaecologist

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I hate that my brain forces me to see an oversized head, one oversized shoulder and two weirdly long arms (with one carrying what looks like a stormbolter gauntlet), and oddly short, almost vestigial legs. If I wasn't forced to see something vaguely humanoid, I have to wonder what other possibilities might be opened up as to what this could be.

It's a good bet the Empire knows we're here.

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u/Professional-Back163 avatar

Professional-Back163

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1y ago

Guys, wtf is that???? I'm sorry but, we can't call this one a balloon.

Edit: looks like there is some kind of a contraption in the things hand, it's almost looking into this device and down onto us, like it's looking through it. This whole thing is weird. Can we stop with the troll comments, they are drowning out the people trying to make genuine suggestions.

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So, uhh, is this, like, I mean, really for reals, because like, what the flying fuck is this?

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Zealousideal-Part815

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I get Marvin from The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy, vibes

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LP_Link

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It's the alien in Battle Los Angeles

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The-Joon

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Ring said that if anyone catches an alien on their camera gets One million dollars.

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Low_Actuary_2794

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Being dropped off to fight the next Kaiju.

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looks like something from a robot anime. i like

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This is a list of notable reported sightings of unidentified flying objects (UFOs) some of which include related claims of close encounters of the second or third kind or alien abduction. UFOs are generally considered to include any perceived aerial phenomenon that cannot be immediately identified or explained. Upon investigation, most UFOs are identified as known objects or atmospheric phenomena, while a small number remain unexplained.[2][3][4] UFOs have been referred to using a range of terms including the more specific "flying saucer" and the more general term "unidentified anomalous phenomena" (UAP). "UAP" is sometimes used to avoid cultural associations with UFO conspiracy theories.[5][6]

Although often viewed as abnormal, UFO sightings are reported frequently.[7][8] During the United States' initial 1947 wave, over 800 sightings were reported in the news.[9] The British Ministry of Defence receives hundreds of reports each year.[10] In Brazil, pilots alone report dozens of annual sightings.[11][12] A small portion of reported sightings have lasting cultural significance,[13] interpreted through the cultural and technological expectations of the time.[14]

Antiquity

Date	Name	Location	Description
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c. 1450 BC	Thutmose III	Jebel Barkal	Stele
Ancient Egypt; Jebel Barkal, Lower Egypt After a military campaign in Nubia, Thutmose III had a stele erected at the Temple of Amun, beneath the Jebel Barkal outcropping.[15] The stele describes how "a star came down" to set fire to Thutmose's adversaries.[16][17] This has been cited by ufologists via the purported Tulli Papyrus, likely a fraud.[18] This alleged translation—published in issue 41 of the Fortean Society's magazine Doubt—used such Fortean tropes as "circles of fire" and fish that "fell down from the sky".[19]:369–372			

218 BC	Ships in the sky	Roman Republic; Italia	During the build-up to the Second Punic War, Livy recorded prodigies in the winter sky, including navium speciem de caelo adfulsisse ("phantom ships had been seen gleaming in the sky").[20][21]
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76 BC	Spark from a falling star	Roman Republic; Asia	According to Pliny the Elder, a spark fell from a star and grew as it descended until it appeared to be the size of the Moon. It then ascended and transformed into a torch. Astronomer Richard Stothers interpreted the report as a description of a bolide.[22][23]
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73 BC	Flame-like wine-jars from the sky	Roman Republic; Phrygia, Asia	According to Plutarch, a Roman army commanded by Lucullus was about to begin a battle with Mithridates VI of Pontus when "the sky burst asunder, and a huge, flame-like body was seen to fall between the two armies". Plutarch reports the shape of the object as like a wine-jar (pithos).[24][21]
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AD 65	Sky army	Roman Empire; Judaea	Romano-Jewish historian Flavius Josephus reported chariots "hurtling through the clouds" prior to the First Jewish–Roman War.[21]
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AD 196	Angel hair	Roman Empire; Rome, Italia	Historian Cassius Dio described a "fine rain resembling silver [that] descended from a clear sky upon the Forum of Augustus." He wrote that he was able to plate some of his bronze coins, but four days later, the silvery coating was gone.[21]
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8th–17th centuries

Date	Name	Location	Description
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AD c. 740	Air ship of Clonmacnoise	Ireland; Teltown in County Meath, and Clonmacnoise in County Offaly	Several sets of Irish annals, those of Ulster,
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Tigernach, Clonmacnoise, and the Four Masters, have entries to the effect that "ships with their crews were seen in the air".[25]

1561-04-14 1561 celestial phenomenon over Nuremberg Holy Roman Empire; Nuremberg, Bavaria Residents of Nuremberg described an aerial battle, followed by the appearance of "something like a black spear, very long and thick" (translation: Ilse Von Jacobi). A broadsheet recorded that witness accounts of hundreds of spheres, cylinders and other odd-shaped objects that moved erratically overhead.[26]

1566-08-07 1566 celestial phenomenon over Basel Switzerland; Basel, Basel A broadsheet published in 1566 depicted numerous spherical objects appearing out of the Sun.[26] The event was recorded and depicted by Samuel Coccius, "a student of the Holy Scripture and of the free arts, at Basel".[27]

1609-09-22 Gwanghaegun period UFO Turmoil Joseon (Korea); Gangwon Province In 1609, multiple witnesses in Goseong, Wonju Gangneung, Chuncheon County and Yangyang County described a Halo or washbowl that was divided in two in the sky.[28]

19th century

Date	Name	Location	Description
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1883-08-12	Bonilla observation	Mexico; Zacatecas Observatory, Zacatecas	The astronomer José Bonilla photographed hundreds of dark objects crossing the Sun while observing sunspot activity at Zacatecas Observatory. Bonilla published an account of the event three years later in L'Astronomie.[29][30]
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1896-11-17 to 1897-04-23	Mystery airships	United States	Newspapers across California, and later other states, especially the Midwest, printed reports of strange airships and lights. Common elements of the descriptions included bright lights, cigar-shaped bodies, movable wings and a metallic hull.[31]
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1897-04-17	Aurora, Texas, UFO incident	United States; Aurora, Texas	Local correspondent S. E. Hayden reported the crash of an airship piloted by an alien. According to Hayden, the pilot was buried in the local cemetery. Residents of Aurora embrace the story without taking it seriously.[32][33]
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20th century

1900-1949

Date	Name	Location	Description
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1904-02-28 [34]	USS Supply[34]	North Pacific;[34] about 300 miles from California[35]	[a] Three objects [34] "rather bright red" color [37] with geometrical formation flight pattern "in-line" and "echelon"; the objects changed course and flightpath changed from the observed horizontal to angularly upwards.[34] The duration of reported event was stated as 2 minutes plus.[37] [b]
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1907	Mihal Grameno UFO	Ottoman Empire; Albania [c]	"One night, while the fighters of Çerçiz were stationed at the top of a high mountain, a shiny object flew in front of us, stood suspended in the air for several minutes, and then disappeared." [38][39][40]
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1909	New Zealand airship sightings	New Zealand; Otago	Moving and whirring lights were reported in the sky around Otago. In the following months, many sightings were reported across New Zealand with varying descriptions of the craft and crew.[41][42][43]
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1917-08-13, 1917-09-13, 1917-10-13	Miracle of the Sun	Portugal; Fátima, Santarém District	Thousands of people gathered in Fátima based on reported Marian apparitions and claimed to see bizarre solar activity. Catholic bishop José Alves Correia da Silva declared the miracle "worthy of belief" on 13 October 1930, and the primarily Catholic witnesses described the event in religious terms. Despite the many photographers present in the crowd, no unusual photo of the Sun was captured. Later, Jacques Vallée, Joaquim Fernandes and Fina d'Armada would interpret it as a mass UFO sighting.[44][45][46][47]
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c. 1926	Nicholas Roerich UFO sighting	Tibet	During his Asian expedition, Russian theosophist Nicholas Roerich reported an oval in the sky above his caravan, which was later interpreted as a "flying saucer" by Roerich's Russian followers.[48][49][50]
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1933-06-01	Frank Smythe UFO sighting	China-Nepal border; Mount Everest in the Himalayas	During the 1933 Mount Everest expedition, Smythe witnessed two spots hovering and pulsating in the sky.[51][52]
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c. 1940s	Foo fighters	Over World War II theaters	During World War II,
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allied fighter pilots above Europe reported colorful balls of light following their aircraft at high speeds.[53]

c.1941 Cape Girardeau UFO legend United States; Cape Girardeau, Missouri A local legend gained wider attention in the 1980s when resident Charlotte Mann claimed in interviews that her father, Reverend William Huffman of the Red Star Baptist Church, had administered last rites for the dying crew of a crashed flying saucer.[54][55][56]

1942-02-24 Battle of Los Angeles United States; Los Angeles, California Just months after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, U.S. radar stations picked up an unidentified aerial object in the early morning. For several hours, anti-aircraft artillery fired thousands of rounds, and the LA Times reported that "the air over Los Angeles erupted like a volcano." [57][58]

1942-08-29 [59] Army Air Corps Flying School [59] near Flying School, Columbus, Missouri [59][60] Control tower operator observes two reddish colored round objects descend-hover-accelerate away [59]

1944-08-10 [61] 468th Bomb Group [62] 20-30 minutes airflight time from Palembang, Sumatra [62] After midnight, returning from a bombing mission at an altitude of 14000 feet, speed "about 210 mph": 500 yards (about 457 meters) from the starboard an object appeared which the pilot estimated at the distance viewed was "probably 5-6 feet in diameter" (1.5-1.8 meters) - "intense red or orange" color - throbbed or vibrated constantly. The object followed the bomber for about 8 minutes while the pilot attempted evasive manoeuvres at the same 500 yard distance. The object flew "up" and away at a "90 degree" angle "accelerating rapidly". [62]

1945 Trinity UFO Case United States; New Mexico In 2003, two men began telling conflicting accounts of an avocado-shaped craft piloted by insectoid aliens crashing at the site of the first atomic bomb detonation. Despite a lack of evidence or internal consistency, the case was cited in the UFO investigation section of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023. [63][64]

1946 The Ghost Rockets Scandinavia and other parts of Europe Thousands of UFO sightings were reported over Europe. Due in part to concerns that foreign governments were testing recovered experimental German technology, the Swedish and Greek governments investigated the reports separately. [65]

1946-05-18 Ängelholm UFO memorial Sweden; Ängelholm, Kristianstads County Swedish entrepreneur Gösta Carlsson, attributed his success to a 1946 UFO encounter, that he commemorated with a concrete monument. Independent investigations did not verify his account. [66][67][68]

1947-06-24 Kenneth Arnold UFO sighting United States; North of Mount Rainier, Washington Private pilot Kenneth Arnold was flying near Mount Rainier when he reported seeing a group of reflective craft moving at high speeds and flashing in the Sun like mirrors. Bill Bequette of the East Oregonian, who first interviewed Arnold, summarized the sighting as, "nine saucer-like aircraft flying in formation." This introduced the term flying saucers, and Arnold's sighting sparked an explosion of UFO reports around the country. [69][70][71][72]

c.1947 1947 flying disc craze United States; Washington and other states

After the Kenneth Arnold sighting was reported in the news, over 800 similar sightings were reported throughout 1947. [73][74]

1947-07-04 Flight 105 UFO sighting United States; En route from Boise, Idaho to Pendleton, Oregon A United Airlines crew including Captain Emil Smith, co-pilot Ralph Stephens, and flight attendant Marty Morrow witnessed nine unidentified objects. Believing them to be aircraft, Smith flashed the plane's landing lights intending to alert the objects which he described as "smooth on the bottom and rough appearing on top". [75][76]

1947-07-07 Rhodes UFO photographs United States; Phoenix, Arizona Inventor and amateur astronomer William Albert Rhodes took photographs of what he described as a silent grey object that appeared after a thunderstorm. The Air Force investigated the photographs and concluded that they showed airborne "paper swept up by the winds". [77][78][79]

1947-07-08 The Roswell Incident United States; about 30 mi. north of Roswell, New Mexico Walter Haut, a United States Army Air Forces spokesperson, issued a press release announcing the "capture" of a "flying saucer". Hours later, the Army announced that the find was a crashed weather balloon. In 1978, the case regained attention after Jesse Marcel, the Army Officer who recovered the wreckage, told UFO researchers that the weather

balloon explanation was a cover story. In 1994, the Air Force attributed the incident to the previously classified Project Mogul.[80]

1947-07-29 Maury Island hoax United States; Puget Sound near Maury Island, Washington Fred Crisman mailed an account from employee Harold A. Dahl, along with a cigar box of metal wreckage, to Raymond A. Palmer who had previously published the Shaver Mystery stories. Dahl claimed that his dog was killed and his son was injured by debris in an encounter with six flying doughnut-shaped objects. He also reported that he was subsequently threatened by Men in Black. On July 31, 1947, Palmer arranged a meeting between Crisman, Dahl, Air Force investigators, and flying saucer witnesses Kenneth Arnold & Emil Smith.[81][82] c.1948 The Green Fireballs United States; New Mexico and other parts of the Southwestern United States The US Air Force investigated reports of green flares streaking across the sky after an Air Force C-47 transport encountered a green ball of fire on 5 December 1948. The pilot, Captain Goede, described the object as larger than a meteor and not arching downward as a meteor would. The Air Force investigation was inconclusive.[83][84]

1948-01-07 Mantell UFO incident United States; Kentucky Captain Thomas F. Mantell, a Kentucky Air National Guard pilot, died in the crash of his P-51 Mustang fighter plane near Franklin, Kentucky, United States, after being sent in pursuit of an unidentified flying object. While following the object, he climbed beyond 25,000 feet (7,600 m) and blacked out from a lack of oxygen. The military later identified the craft he was pursuing as likely a Skyhook weather balloon.[85][86][87]

1948-03-25 Aztec, New Mexico UFO hoax United States; New Mexico Conmen Silas Newton and Leo Gebauer sold "magnetic oil-detecting machines" based on the story that they had replicated technology from a crashed spaceship. The pair were convicted of fraud in 1953. Elements of their story regarding a crashed ship with occupants were later entangled in the Roswell narrative.[88][89][90]

1948-07-24 Chiles-Whitted UFO encounter United States; Montgomery, Alabama Clarence Chiles and John Whitted, American commercial pilots, reported that their airplane had nearly collided with a UFO near Montgomery. According to the pilots the object "looked like a wingless aircraft...it seemed to have two rows of windows through which glowed a very bright light, as brilliant as a magnesium flare."[91][92]

1948-10-01 Gorman dogfight United States; North Dakota A US Air Force pilot sighted and pursued a UFO for 27 minutes over Fargo, North Dakota. According to US Air Force officer Edward J. Ruppelt, this was one of three cases, along with the Mantell incident and Chiles-Whitted encounter, that shifted the Air Force's attitude about UFO reports leading to the creation of Project Blue Book.[93][94] 1950-1974

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1950-05-11	McMinnville	UFO photographs	United States; a farm near McMinnville, Oregon A farmer took pictures of a purported "flying saucer". These were the first flying saucer photographs since the coining of the term. [95]
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1950-08-15	Mariana	UFO incident	United States; Great Falls, Montana The manager of Great Falls' pro baseball team took color film of two UFOs flying over Great Falls. The film was extensively analyzed by the US Air Force and several independent investigators.[96][97]
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1951-01-20	Sioux City	mystery plane incident	United States; Sioux City, Iowa Two pilots and a military officer passenger aboard a commercial DC-3 reported being buzzed by an unidentified straight-winged plane both larger and more maneuverable than a B-29.[98]
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1951-08-25	Lubbock	Lights	United States; Lubbock, Texas Several lights in V-shaped formations were repeatedly spotted flying over the city. Witnesses included W. I. Robinson, A. G. Oberg, and W. L. Ducker, professors of geology, chemical engineering, and petroleum engineering respectively. Teenage student Carl Hart Jr. photographed the lights[98]
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1952-01-29	Wonsan-Sunchon	UFO incident	Korea; Wonsan and Sunchon Four American military personnel aboard two different B-29 bombers reported seeing an orange globe-shaped light over two different cities in northern Korea[98]
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1952-07-12 to 1952-07-29	1952 Washington, D.C.	UFO incident	United States; Washington, D.C. A series of sightings accompanied radar contacts in the Washington area. These were the first sightings to be widely and seriously
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reported as potentially physical craft operated by intelligent life from another planet. In response, the CIA formed the Robertson Panel which advised Project Blue Book to "strip the Unidentified Flying Objects of the special status they have been given and the aura of mystery they have unfortunately acquired".[99][100][101]

1952-07-14 Nash-Fortenberry UFO sighting United States; Norfolk, Virginia

William B. Nash and William H. Fortenberry, pilots of a DC-4 airliner of Pan American Airways, radioed the Norfolk civil aviation authority to report eight large, round, glowing red objects.[102][103]

1952-09-12 The Flatwoods Monster United States; Flatwoods, West Virginia

Three local boys followed a bright object into the forest to what they believed was a UFO landing. They went to the nearby home of Kathleen May who accompanied them back to the spot along with two other children and teenage National Guardsman Eugene Lemon. In the forest, they smelled a foul odor and saw what May described as a tall figure with claws and "a head that resembled the ace of spades".[104]

1954-09-10 Marius Dewilde sighting France; Quarouble, Nord French metalworker Marius Dewilde claimed to have become a contactee in 1954. Local newspapers and Radar magazine covered Dewilde's story of small humanoid figures landing a ship on the abandoned railroad tracks near his home. The coverage of Dewilde and other 1950s contactees spurred the careers of French ufologists Aimé Michel and Jacques Vallée.[105]

1954-10-27 Fiorentina Stadium mass sighting Italy; Stadio Artemio Franchi in Florence A football game between Fiorentina and Pistoiese was under way at the Stadio Artemio Franchi when a group of UFOs traveling at high speed abruptly stopped over the stadium. The stadium became silent as the crowd of around 10,000 spectators witnessed the event and described the UFOs as cigar shaped.[106][107]

1955-08-21 to 1955-08-22 Kelly-Hopkinsville encounter United States; A farmhouse near Hopkinsville, Kentucky At a rural farmhouse, eleven people witnessed creatures in the night. Two of the men opened fire with a shotgun and rifle, and the entire group later fled to the Hopkinsville police station. The creatures have been variously described as goblins, aliens, "little green men", owls, and circus monkeys. Four officers, five state troopers, three deputies, and four military police investigated the farmhouse finding bullet holes but no monsters. The story has had a broad impact on popular culture.[108][109][110]

1956-07-24 Lakenheath-Bentwaters incident United Kingdom; Suffolk, England United States Air Force (USAF) and Royal Air Force (RAF) radar operators (from Lakenheath RAF Station, Bentwaters RAF Station, and Sculthorpe RAF Station) detected up to 15 objects over Suffolk. An RAF pilot was sent out from Waterbeach RAF Station in a de Havilland Venom, a jet aircraft with aircraft interception radar. The pilot reported spotting the object on radar and visually observing a luminous white object that moved behind his craft when he attempted to intercept.[111][112]

1956-08-13 Elizabeth Klarer South Africa; Drakensberg A series of photos depicting a supposed UFO were taken on 24 July near Rosetta in the Drakensberg region. The photographer, meteorologist Elizabeth Klarer, claimed detailed adventures with an alien race including having had an alien lover, Akon, who would have fathered her son Ayling.[113][114]

1957-05-03 Gordon Cooper UFO Sightings United States; Edwards Air Force Base, California

Gordon Cooper, one of the original Project Mercury astronauts, witnessed a type of metallic craft without wings flying over Germany in the 1950s. At the time, Cooper believed these to be Soviet aircraft. His attitude later changed after an incident at Edwards Air Force Base. Cooper sent a crew of James Bittick and Jack Gettys out to a dry lakebed to set up data-recording photography equipment. Cooper said the two men, both familiar with experimental aircraft, came back shaken and talking about witnessing a wingless aircraft with retractable legs silently land and take off near them. Cooper reported the incident to The Pentagon which asked for all photographs of the craft. Cooper looked at the photos before sending them off and believed that the government covered up a UFO encounter.[115][116]

1957-05-20 Milton Torres 1957 UFO Encounter United Kingdom; East Anglia

U.S. Air Force fighter pilot Milton Torres reports that he was ordered to intercept and fire on a UFO displaying "very unusual flight patterns" over East Anglia. Ground radar operators tracked what was believed to be an unidentified aircraft for some time before Torres' plane was scrambled to intercept.[117][118][119][120]

1957-10-15 Antônio Vilas-Boas Abduction Brazil; Near São Francisco de Sales, Minas Gerais Law student Antônio Vilas-Boas described being abducted by humanoid aliens and taken aboard their egg-shaped craft. He also said that he was confined within a small round room where he was compelled to have sex with a four foot tall alien woman.[121]

1957-11-02 Levelland UFO case United States; Levelland, Texas Drivers observed cigar-shaped lights above the highway, followed by electrical failures.[122]

1957-11-04 Kirtland AFB UFO sighting United States; Albuquerque, New Mexico Through binoculars, two Civil Aeronautics Administration tower operators reported seeing an egg shape emitting a white light beneath it.[111][112]

1961-09-19 Betty and Barney Hill abduction United States; South of Lancaster on Route 3, New Hampshire The Hills reported the first alien abduction experience to be widely spread in English-language publications. While driving home, they observed a light move through the sky and land ahead of them. Barney Hill said that, against his will, he turned the car down a side road towards the light, where he found six small humanoid beings waiting for them. Betty Hill reported that they inserted a needle through her navel among other vaguely medical tests.[123]

1963 Kallamishtez UFO incident Albania; Kurvelesh Residents of Kallamishtez in the Kurvelesh region reported a bright object in the sky. Albanian authorities said that it was a new jet plane used by the Albanian Air Force.[39][40]

1964-04-24 Lonnie Zamora incident United States; Socorro, New Mexico Police officer Lonnie Zamora investigated a roaring sound. Zamora and a nearby tourist found a craft that took off shortly after their arrival. The craft left impressions in the ground that did not aid in identification.[124]

1964-05-23 Solway Firth Spaceman United Kingdom; Cumbria, England While on a day trip with his family, fireman Jim Templeton took a photo of his daughter, that when developed showed a mysterious figure in the background. Templeton believed it to be a "spaceman", but later analysis showed it was most likely his wife.[125]

1964-09-22 Big Sur UFO United States; Big Sur, California An Air Force team filming a missile test are ordered to secrecy after recording objects apparently following a warhead and emitting flashes. In 1993, the project engineer publicly revealed they had filmed the deployment of decoy warheads.[126]

1964-09-18 until 9-24 Dwikora Operation UFO incident Surabaya, Indonesia Officer Jacob Salatun—founder of the National Institute of Aeronautics and Space in Indonesia—wrote several books on UFOs and founded an organization to study UFO reports after he served as Minister of Industry. According to Salatun, one night during the Indonesia-Malaysia Confrontation, pilots reported seeing and shooting at a dark, mango-shaped craft with colored lights. Salatun claims that fragments of the military's shells struck individuals outside of their homes in Sidoarjo.[127]

1965-06-04 Project Gemini UFO Low Earth orbit; Above Hawaii During Gemini 4, astronaut James McDivitt spotted a white cylinder with a protruding arm traveling in his orbit. McDivitt has said that it was impossible for him to assign scale to the object against the black background of space, saying that it could have been small enough to hold in his hands or "the size of the Empire State Building." [128]

1965-09-03 The Incident at Exeter United States; Exeter, New Hampshire Numerous people reported pulsating UFOs in Exeter, New Hampshire. The events were the subject of The Incident at Exeter by John G. Fuller.[129]

1965-07-1 The Valensole UFO incident France; Valensole, Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur French farmer, Maurice Massé, witnessed a spherical vehicle in his lavender field. He noticed and approached two individuals that he observed near the vehicle, but after one pointed a tube in his direction, he stood still feeling paralyzed. He described the beings as child-sized, pale, large-headed, with only holes where a mouth should be. Massé said that after they left in

their vehicle, he was never again able to grow a healthy plant in the area where the craft had landed. He did not personally comment on the effect this had on him, saying, "One always says too much." His wife reported that the man was plagued with exhaustion for months, that he had confessed some type of communication to her, and that it was a "spiritual experience" for her husband. [130][131]

1965-12-09 Kecksburg UFO incident United States; Kecksburg, Pennsylvania

Local newspapers and newscasts reported a fireball observed in the skies over Kecksburg. According to some residents, they found an acorn-shaped object in the woods. The U.S. military closed off the area to investigate and reported no evidence of a crash. A model built for Unsolved Mysteries is kept on display by the fire department, which leads an annual UFO celebration. [132][133][134]

1966-03-20 Michigan "swamp gas" UFO reports United States; Dexter, Michigan and Hillsdale, Michigan Two mass sightings above wetlands were dismissed at a press conference as "marsh gas". [135]

1966-04-06 Westall UFO Australia; Clayton South, Victoria Several hundred students and school faculty from Westall High School watched an object land at the nearby Grange Reserve. [136]

1966-08-20 Lead masks case Brazil; Niterói, Rio de Janeiro The bodies of two recently deceased men were found on a hillside in Rio de Janeiro. They wore raincoats and handmade lead masks. A mutual friend, Elcio Gomes, said that the men had been "scientific spiritualists", members of a religious group that attempted to contact extraterrestrials using hallucinogens. [137][138]

1967-03-16 Malmstrom UFO incident United States; Montana A missile facility malfunction was claimed to be linked to a UFO report by Robert Salas. [139][140]

1967-05-20 Falcon Lake Incident Canada; Falcon Lake, Manitoba Prospector Stefan Michalak attributed unusual burns on his body to a purported UFO sighting near Falcon Lake. [141][142] Radiation tests done at Misericordia General Hospital came back negative. Higher levels of soil radiation at the area where Michalak said he was burned were traced to an underground vein of radium. [143][144]

1967-08-29 Close encounter of Cussac France; near Cussac, Auvergne A 13-year-old boy and his younger sister reported an incident to their father, local police, and investigators. According to police reports, they witnessed a brilliant sphere and four small black occupants while herding cattle outside their village. [145]

1967-09-4 1967 British flying saucer hoax United Kingdom; Southern England Apprentices from the Royal Aircraft Establishment constructed six fake flying saucers out of metal-clad fiberglass. They filled them with flour, water, and electronic components, and dropped the saucers off in fields during the night. When a Scotland Yard bomb disposal squad was called in, X-Ray tests revealed the presence of Eveready brand batteries, and the hoax was exposed. [146][147]

1967-10-04 Shag Harbour UFO incident Canada; Gulf of Maine near Shag Harbour, Nova Scotia Royal Canadian Mounted Police and six civilians reported that a large illuminated object crashed into Shag Harbour. A Department of National Defence underwater search followed, but located no physical evidence. [148][149]

1969-01-06 Jimmy Carter UFO incident United States; Leary, Georgia While governor of Georgia, future president Jimmy Carter filed a written report of a "luminous, not solid" light over Leary, Georgia in 1969. [150]

1969-04-12 Finnish Air Force sighting Finland; Pori Finnish pilot Jouko Kuronen overheard a radio conversation between air traffic control and fighter pilot Tarmo Tukeva. Tukeva was ordered to investigate "seven balloons" visible from Kuronen's position in the sky. Kuronen described the objects as discs that accelerated in formation against the wind at speeds not feasible for balloons. [151]

1969-09-1 Labor Day 1969 UFO Incident United States; Berkshire County, Massachusetts Four families with no prior connection alleged that they saw a UFO, were moved by a beam of light, and lost several hours of time. The Great Barrington Historical Society recognized the accounts as a "historical event" in 2015. [152]

1969-09-08 Pudasjärvi sighting [fi] Finland; Pudasjärvi A taxi driver and his passengers observed about a dozen football-sized flying bright lights

for half an hour between 1:25 and 1:50 a.m. on Sunday and Monday night, when the weather was partly cloudy. The lights varied in color, direction of flight, and speed. A larger light was also seen inside the clouds, estimated to be 170 meters in diameter. In one place, the light illuminated a room with dazzling brightness. The light was observed in many nearby towns.[153]

1973-10-11 Pascagoula Abduction United States; Pascagoula, Mississippi

Charles Hickson and Calvin Parker were fishing from a pier on the Pascagoula River when they say that they heard whirring sounds and witnessed a craft over 30 feet long with flashing lights. Both men say they were paralyzed and then taken by humanoids with "robotic slit-mouths" and "crab-like pincers". [154][155]

1974-01-23 Berwyn Mountain UFO incident United Kingdom; Llandrillo, Merionethshire, North Wales An alleged UFO crash involving lights in the sky moments before a large impact shock. The cause of the incident was however soon revealed as a 3.5 magnitude earthquake.[156][157]

1974-08-23 John Lennon UFO incident United States; New York City, New York
Musician John Lennon and then-assistant May Pang report seeing a craft emitting lights that changed color in the night sky above their Manhattan penthouse. Lennon would later reference this experience in his song "Nobody Told Me".[158][159]

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1975-01-12	North Hudson Park UFO sightings	United States; North Bergen, New Jersey	George O'Barski reported seeing a dark object with lit windows near the Stonehenge building adjacent to North Hudson Park. His story was covered by ufologist Budd Hopkins and local newspapers.[160][161][162]
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1975-11-05	Travis Walton	United States; Near Turkey Springs in Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest, Arizona	Logger Travis Walton disappeared for over 5 days resulting in a police investigation of his coworkers. When questioned on where he had been, Walton said that he had been taken aboard a spacecraft by nearly human creatures.[163] Walton's alien abduction account is the basis for the book The Walton Experience (1978), the film Fire in the Sky (1993), and the documentary "Alien Abduction: Travis Walton" (2022).[164]
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1976-09-17	1976 Tehran UFO incident	Iran; Tehran, Tehran province	A radar and visual sighting of a UFO over the capital of Iran, during early morning hours. Two Imperial Iranian Air Force F-4 Phantom II jet interceptors reported losing instrumentation and communications as they approached the object.[165]
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1977-09-20	Petrozavodsk phenomenon	Soviet Union, Finland, Lithuania, and Denmark	Residents of Petrozavodsk reported a giant glowing "jellyfish" of light (visible for over ten minutes) looming in the early morning sky. The light was seen and photographed in several Baltic Sea countries. In response to the phenomenon, the Soviet Union created a government program to study anomalous atmospheric phenomena. This program would later attribute the Petrozavodsk sightings to the secret night launch of the Kosmos 955 spy satellite. According to Soviet astrophysicist, Yuli Platov, sunlight can cause the giant plumes of gas and dust produced by rockets to glow, especially "in twilight hours, when the rocket streaks through sunlit regions and the observer is on the nighttime side of the Earth." [166]
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1977 to 1978	Operação Prato	Brazil; Colares, Pará	Residents of Colares believed that scars on their bodies were caused by aerial lights that they named Chupa Chupa (Sucker Sucker). In an attempt to ward off the lights, they held vigils, tended fires, and lit fireworks. The military launched Operação Prato (Operation Saucer) to investigate the lights and found no unusual phenomena. [167][168][169]
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1978-05-10	Emilcin Abduction	Poland; Emilcin, Lublin Voivodeship	Polish farmer Jan Wolski reported that while returning home, two "short, green-faced humanoid entities" wearing black overalls jumped onto his horse-drawn cart and started speaking an incomprehensible language. After about 1000 ft (300 m), he reported seeing a white flying object, from which an alien creature came out and invited Wolski inside. The farmer said that they examined him once inside.[170]
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1978-10-21	Valentich disappearance	Australia; Victoria	Frederick Valentich left Moorabbin Airport in a Cessna 182 Skylane, a single-engined light aircraft. At 7:06 pm, he began reporting a strange craft to Melbourne air traffic control. Valentich's last words were, "That strange aircraft is hovering on top of me"
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again ... it is hovering and it's not an aircraft." [171] Neither the pilot nor the plane were ever found. [172]

1978-12-06 Zanfretta UFO Incident Italy; Torriglia, Genoa Italian nightwatchman Pier Fortunato Zanfretta perceived a red, oval object and phoned his supervisor. During the call, he described non-human creatures that he said were attacking him. He was later found in a state of shock and his experience was adapted into a stage play. [173]

1978-12-21 to 1978-12-30 Kaikoura lights New Zealand; South Island The crew of a cargo aircraft spotted lights above the Kaikōura Ranges on New Zealand's South Island. A news team from TV1 and Channel 0 arrived to record footage for a story about the sighting, and were able to capture the lights on camera. The New Zealand Department of Scientific and Industrial Research investigated and did not find evidence that the lights were solid objects. [174] [175] [176]

1979-08-27 Val Johnson incident United States; Marshall County, Minnesota Sheriff Val Johnson attributed minor injuries and the shattered windshield of his squad car to a beam of light. [177] [178]

1979-11-09 Robert Taylor incident United Kingdom; Livingston, West Lothian, Scotland Forestry worker Robert Taylor was walking near Dechmont Law when he said that he saw a flying dome descend, was approached by floating spheres, smelled a foul odor similar to "burning brakes", and blacked out. Ufologists erected a plaque at the site. Physicians have noted that Taylor's account matches an episode of temporal lobe epilepsy. [179] [180] [181]

1979-11-11 Manises UFO incident Spain; Valencia, Valencian Community En route to Las Palmas, commercial pilot Francisco Javier Lerdo de Tejada radioed air traffic control regarding a pair of red lights approaching his TAE Supercaravelle. Neither air traffic control in Barcelona nor the military identified the object. Tejada made an emergency landing at the nearby airport in Manises. [182]

1980-04-11 Arequipa UFO incident Peru; Arequipa Region Early in the morning of April 11, La Joya Air Force Base ordered fighter pilot Oscar Santa María Huertas to intercept an object in restricted air space. Huertas pursued the object in a Sukhoi Su-22 and fired a barrage of 30mm shells into it. According to Huertas the object did not seem damaged and rose to 19,200 meters. He described it as similar in shape to an incandescent lightbulb with a much wider circular silver base and said that it "lacked all the typical components of aircraft. It had no wings, propulsion jets, exhausts, windows, antennae, and so forth". [183] [184] [185] [186]

1980-12-26 to 1980 -12-28 Rendlesham Forest incident United Kingdom; Rendlesham Forest, Suffolk, England United States Air Force personnel reported various unusual observations at RAF Woodbridge and RAF Bentwaters, two American air bases located in England. Their reports included lights in the sky, a metallic triangular object in the forest, multi-colored lights moving through the forest, and higher levels of radiation. [187]

1980-12-29 Cash-Landrum incident United States; near Dayton, Texas Betty Cash and Victoria Landrum unsuccessfully sued the United States government in 1981. The two women attributed various symptoms to a diamond-shaped UFO they claimed to have seen pursued by air force helicopters the previous year. The judge dismissed their case due to a lack of evidence. [188] [189]

1981-01-08 Trans-en-Provence case France; Trans-en-Provence, Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur Retired contractor, Renato Nicolai reported the landing of a flying object near his home to local police. Renato believed it to be a military craft. Groupe d'Étude des Phénomènes Aérospatiaux Non-identifiés (GEPAN), a branch of French Space Agency created to investigate UFOs, conducted an investigation, photographed circular impressions on the ground, and took samples of the area. [190] Skeptics have been critical of the GEPAN investigation which took place 40 days after the initial sighting. [191] [192]

1982 -11-02 Maxial UFO incident Maxial, Portugal A metallic-looking flying object surrounded a DHC-1 Chipmunk aircraft from the Portuguese Air Force piloted by the then Lieutenant Júlio Guerra. The object was seen by two other pilots. A report was made after landing. [193] [194]

c. 1983 Hudson Valley Sightings United States; Hudson Valley, New York State police discovered that widespread reports of a massive object—described by one observer as a "city of lights" hanging silently above their

home—were caused by a group of pilots flying small aircraft in formation. The events were the subject of an Unsolved Mysteries episode and Night Siege, a posthumous collaboration between ufologists including J. Allen Hynek.[195][196][197][198]

1986-05-19 "Night of the UFOs" in Brazil Brazil; São Paulo, Rio de Janeiro, Minas Gerais and Goiás Radar and visual contacts were obtained with multiple 'bright colorful objects' in the sky across several states. Mirage IIIE and F-5 fighters were scrambled but failed to intercept, with pilots describing the objects as capable of impossible maneuvers and rapidly accelerating to as much as Mach 15 once approached.[199]

1986-11-17 Japan Air Lines Cargo Flight 1628 incident United States; Alaska

While piloting a Japanese Boeing 747-200F cargo aircraft on a polar route from France to Narita International Airport in Japan, the flight crew witnessed several unidentified objects over eastern Alaska. Captain Kenju Terauchi (寺内謙寿, Terauchi Kenju), co-pilot Takanori Tamefuji (為藤隆憲, Tamefuji Takanori), and flight engineer Yoshio Tsukuda (佃善雄, Tsukuda Yoshio) reported rectangular arrays of what Captain Terauchi described as glowing nozzles or thrusters.[200][201]

1987-12-1 Ilkley Moor UFO incident United Kingdom; Ilkley Moor Retired police officer, Philip Spencer, took a photograph of what he said was a strange being on the moor. According to Spencer, the being fled after being photographed and left in a domed craft.[202][203]

1987 to 1988 Gulf Breeze UFO incident United States; Gulf Breeze, Florida Florida contractor Ed Walters took a series of photographs that he claimed were of a spacecraft piloted by alien creatures that paralyzed him with a blue beam of light. After Walters moved, the next homeowners found a small model that resembled the purported spacecraft. The model had been hidden beneath insulation in the attic. Newspaper photographers were able to "nearly duplicate" Walters' photographs using the model.[204][205][206]

1989-09-27 Voronezh UFO incident Soviet Union; Voronezh In the early days of glasnost, the Russian state news agency TASS reported a sensationalist tale from 3 schoolchildren who said a glowing "banana-shaped" object landed in a park where a "three-eyed creature, about nine feet tall and fashionably dressed in silvery overalls and bronze boots and with a disk on its chest" exited with its robot. Tass reported common hematite at the park as rocks that "cannot be found on Earth".[207][208][209]

1990-08-04 Calvine UFO United Kingdom; Perthshire, Scotland Sighting of an UFO near Calvine in Scotland in August 1990. The object was photographed.[210]

1994-03-08 1994 Michigan UFO event United States; Western Michigan Several hundred residents reported something resembling flickering Christmas lights in the sky. Religious residents interpreted them as a sign of the Biblical "end times". The Holland, Michigan police department contacted the National Weather Service who reported unusual radar blips. Aircraft were ruled out, but the specific cause of the lights was not determined.[211][212][206]

1994-09-16 Ariel School UFO incident Zimbabwe; Ruwa Over sixty students reported seeing a silver craft land in a field near the school. They described occupants dressed in all black that exited the silver object.[213]

1996-01-20 Varginha UFO incident Brazil; Varginha, Minas Gerais In 1996, various individuals reported possibly unrelated incidents with what they described as UFOs, creatures, and the Brazilian military.[214] The events are the inspiration for saucer-shaped Varginha water tower, the Nave Espacial de Varginha; the 1998 Brazilian video game Incidente em Varginha; and 1996, a film by director Rodrigo Brandão.[215][216]

1997-03-13 Phoenix Lights United States; Phoenix, Arizona Many residents photographed lights in a "V" pattern moving through Arizona,[217] during a night that the Air National Guard stationed in Tucson, Arizona, were conducting training exercises.[218]

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2000-10-05	Bonsall UFO sighting	United Kingdom; Bonsall, Derbyshire	Resident, Sharon Rowlands, filmed a luminous object in the night sky starting around 9:15 pm and continuing for several minutes. Various other residents reported strange lights including a man who described a "pink glow, vertically shaped like a shoe
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box".[219][220][221]

2004-03-05 2004 Mexican UFO incident Mexico; Campeche Mexican Air Force pilots filmed (initially unidentified) lights in the sky using infrared cameras while searching for drug-smuggling planes. Multiple subsequent investigations identified these as massive burn-off flares from a cluster of off-shore oil platforms in the Bay of Campeche.[222][223][224]

2004-10-31 Tinley Park Lights United States; Illinois On Halloween night (2004), residents were outside trick-or-treating on the streets of Tinley Park and other Chicago suburbs, when thousands of people watched, photographed, and filmed a formation of red lights above them.[225][226][227]

2004-11-14 USS Nimitz UFO incident United States; Off the coast of San Diego, California Several pilots from VFA-41 squadron flying Super Hornets from the USS Nimitz, were directed by the USS Princeton to intercept one of several unidentified flying objects detected by radar. The pilots reported a visual encounter and recorded an infrared video. The Navy has verified that the video was taken by Navy personnel and has stated that it has not yet identified the nature of the sightings which they classify as unexplained aerial phenomena.[228][229][230]

2006-11-07 2006 O'Hare International Airport UFO sighting United States; Chicago, Illinois United Airlines employees and pilots reported sightings of a saucer-shaped, unlit craft hovering over a Chicago O'Hare Airport terminal, before appearing to leave with a rapid vertical rise.[231]

2007-04-23 2007 Alderney UFO sighting Bailiwick of Guernsey; Alderney On separate flights, two airline pilots and multiple passengers reported a "sunlight-coloured" object off the coast of Alderney. One of the pilots, Ray Bowyer, filed a report with Britain's Civil Aviation Authority upon landing.[232][233][234]

2007-11-28 to 2011-12-13 Dudley Dorito United Kingdom; West Midlands conurbation The "Dudley Dorito" refers to a series of black triangle sightings reported in the West Midlands conurbation.[235][236]

2008-06-20 Wales UFO sightings United Kingdom; Various cities, Wales Over the Bristol Channel, a South Wales Police helicopter took evasive actions to avoid what the crew described as a saucer-shaped UFO.[237][238][239][240]

2009-01-05 Morristown UFO hoax United States; Morristown, New Jersey In the evening, citizens in Morristown and other town in Morris County, New Jersey saw five red lights in the sky. After three months, two men from the Morristown area announced that they had organized a UFO hoax, meant as a "social experiment".[241]

2009-12-10 2009 Norwegian spiral anomaly Norway; Trøndelag and Northern Norway A failed Russian missile test produced a massive spiral light in the sky, visible from the northern counties of Norway and parts of Sweden.[242][243][244]

2010-01-25 Harbour Mille incident Canada; Harbour Mille, Newfoundland and Labrador At least three UFOs that looked like missiles but emitted no noise were spotted over Harbour Mille.[245]

2010-07-07 Hangzhou Airport UFO China; Hangzhou, Zhejiang Hangzhou Xiaoshan International Airport was shut down for an hour after reports of an alleged unidentified flying object near the airport.[246]

2012-10-25 Popocatepetl UFO Mexico; Popocatepetl, State of Mexico When Televisa was broadcasting activity of the Popocatepetl, a mysterious object was shown crashing into the crater of the volcano.[247]

2014-06-02 to 2015-03-10 USS Theodore Roosevelt UFO incidents United States; East Coast of the United States Navy pilots from the Theodore Roosevelt began to notice unexplained objects on their radar after an equipment upgrade. Some pilots were unable to see the objects. Others captured video footage, later released to the public. The pilots reported these incidents to the then-obscure Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program resulting in new guidelines regarding unexplained aerial phenomena sightings.[248]

c. 2020 Jetpack man United States; Los Angeles, California The FBI and Federal Aviation Administration investigated reports from multiple professional pilots who, beginning in 2020, began to report something hovering over Los Angeles that looked like a man wearing a jet pack. Investigators said that it was unlikely to be a person and more likely to be a balloon or dummy attached to a drone.[249][250]

2023-01-28 to 2023-02-13 List of high-altitude object events in 2023
 United States, Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, and Venezuela Multiple
 airborne objects, sometimes reported as UFOs, were observed and shot down by
 military aircraft. Many of the objects were identified as meteorology or
 espionage balloons.[251][252][253]
 2024-11-20 to 2024-11-20 2024 US air base drone incursions in the United
 Kingdom United Kingdom Unauthorized drones were reported near four US Air
 Force bases in the United Kingdom (RAF Lakenheath, RAF Mildenhall, RAF Feltwell,
 and RAF Fairford) by pilots, air traffic controllers, and aviation enthusiasts.
 [254][255]
 December 2024 2024 United States drone sightings United States A large
 number of sightings of lights in the sky over New Jersey and other states,
 primarily in the Northeastern United States. The reported objects were generally
 referred to as "drones", and thousands of sightings were reported. The US Air
 Force denied any responsibility for the events.[256][257][258][259]
 2023-04-19 AARO Middle East 2022 MQ-9 orb video Middle East At a Senate
 Armed Services Subcommittee hearing, AARO director Sean Kirkpatrick presented an
 MQ-9 infrared clip from July 12, 2022 that showed a small metallic orb crossing
 the sensor field of view. AARO said the object did not display anomalous
 behavior given the limited data.[260][261]
 2023-05-31 NASA public meeting Western U.S. objects video United States,
 western range At NASA's public UAP meeting, AARO played a 2021 infrared
 range clip known as Western U.S. Objects and correlated the dots with commercial
 flight tracks. AARO's case resolution stated the targets were three distant
 airliners and posted a technical note.[262][263][264]
 2025-09-09 Yemen orb missile engagement video Yemen, off the coast At a
 House Oversight hearing, a congressman played MQ-9 footage from 30 October 2024
 that he said showed a Hellfire missile striking a bright orb and the orb
 continuing unaffected.[265][266][267]
 By location
 The lists below contain UFO reports mentioned above, along with less notable UFO
 reports from the specific areas.

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 Albania
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 Canary Islands
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 Czech Republic
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 Indonesia
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 Nepal
 New Zealand
 Norway
 Outer space
 Poland
 Russia
 South Africa
 Spain
 Sweden
 United Kingdom
 United States
 See also

Wikimedia Commons has media related to UFO sightings.

Table of reports during the 1947 flying disc craze – A sortable table of the hundreds of 1947 flying disc sightings.

List of alleged extraterrestrial beings – A list of entities reported in conjunction with UFOs and believed by witnesses to be alien in origin, unrelated to astrobiology or xenobiology.

List of UFO religions

List of investigations of UFOs by governments

List of UFO organizations – Private organizations that investigate UFO sightings.

Extraterrestrial hypothesis – The proposal that UFO sightings are observations of physical craft piloted by biological aliens from another planet.

Interdimensional hypothesis – The proposal that UFO sightings are the result of experiences with another dimension.

Psychosocial hypothesis – The proposal that UFO sightings can be explained by social and psychological processes.

Time-traveler hypothesis – The proposal that UFO sightings can be interpreted as advanced humans traveling from the future.

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A Military group in full uniform arriving at the scene of the sighting
The military responded immediately

According to Lonnie, there were red markings on the hull; a vertical arrow with a horizontal line beneath it and a crescent-shaped line above it. Lonnie tried to radio police headquarters but was not able to break through the heavy static. After hearing two metallic sounds, like doors clanging shut, Lonnie said he noticed the small figures were gone:

"I saw this flame come up from underneath it, then I ran back behind the car, and it went up two, 20, 30 feet up in the air. It just stayed there for a while. And then, finally, it just took off slowly to the west. At first, you know, after I got to my senses, I said, 'Did I see it or didn't I, you know? What happened, you know?'"

With his radio now static free, Lonnie called an old friend, Sergeant Sam Chavez of the New Mexico State Police and told him to hurry to the site:

"I could tell that Lonnie was excited and probably scared. Lonnie Zamora, he's a very dependable, honest type of person. He's not one to create or make stories or build things up to make it exciting or anything like that."

Two soldiers looking at the dusty desert ground
There were no footprints found

When Sam arrived, he and Lonnie noticed what looked like landing marks on the ground:

"We found some indentation on the ground where this thing had landed and the marks into the ground were 9 inches deep, 8 inches long, and 9 inches wide. I started looking for tracks, human tracks, but the only thing I found were impressions on the ground that were made by a perfect circle. But I found no human tracks. No shoe prints."

U.S. Army officials at the nearby White Sands Missile Range sent Captain Richard T. Holder to investigate:

"My first impression was that it was something from the range that needed possible help. You know, first aid, attention, or at best, security. The more I got into it, the less convinced I was that that was the case."

Holder noticed the unusual marks left in the sand and a bush burned to a crisp on only one side:

"Everything we saw seemed to support the story that officer Zamora recounted. Nothing gave me the slightest hint that he did this as a hoax or cooked it up for fame or fortune."

News Article titled 'Flying Object Visits Region'
The sighting made headlines around the world

After their investigation, the Air Force agreed that Lonnie saw something, but they insisted that it must have been a secret military aircraft. UFO expert and author Jerome Clark said the official explanation doesn't hold water:

"They never were able to find any such evidence that any such thing was being tested at the time. And, in fact, even today, not an iota of evidence has emerged to support that claim. Nonetheless, the Air Force line on the case is that this is a credible witness. He clearly saw some kind of structured flying vehicle and that it must have been something that we built even if we can't find it anywhere."

Air Force officials brought in Dr. J. Allen Hynek, a respected astronomer and consultant on Project Bluebook, the Air Force's official study of the UFO phenomenon. Dr. Hynek found the physical evidence convincing. But according to Jerome Clark, the most persuasive argument was Lonnie Zamora himself:

"Dr. Hynek was enormously impressed by Lonnie Zamora. He thought there was virtually no possibility of a hoax. He expressed huge disdain for the Bluebook handling of the report. And he said it was clear that the story that Bluebook had cooked up about this possibly being some kind of experimental aircraft was a story that even Bluebook knew to be untrue, but which was invented to keep Congress from harassing the Air Force."

How do we explain what Lonnie Zamora saw? No matter what others believe, Lonnie has no doubt that what he witnessed was not of this earth:

"If they want to believe me, good. If they don't want to believe me, it's all right, too."

Watch this case now on Amazon Prime in season eight with Robert Stack and in season one with Dennis Farina. Also available on YouTube with Dennis Farina. Various seasons available now on Hulu.

32 Comments

Alain Valade

June 4, 2024 at 1:21 PM

. I wrote too about Prime Numbers : Do ALAIN VALADE KUZEO = I have 32 emails on this site and it is the second . Thank you .

Reply

Alain

April 3, 2024 at 7:35 AM

Why would the military lie about flight 19 ? Because it is a question of credibility , pride , fame , moral contract of protection and finally money because of the prosecution due to the very bad decision to force Taylor to do the mission when nothing justified such firmness of imposition because , after

all , the war had ended for at least 4 months (1) .

Postscript : We cannot know absolutely as with a Nobel type proof if Taylor really left 3 planes , 2 of which were due to disorientation BUT since we can make a coherent , balanced and realistic as well as harmonious story then I put that first and allows one to reasonably conclude that the information must be true in principle . Chance or " my madness" could not allow such a story .

(1) And the situation is worse if we know his file of 2 planes (?) left behind by disorientation .

Truths make it possible to make stories that hold together logically , but not lies . If the 4 planes are not the right ones then we cannot make a story as my analyses claim by looking for them elsewhere since logically we fail if we rely on human behavior . There is always a way to cheat with plane numbers that accommodate us .

Reply

Alain

March 31, 2024 at 6:31 PM

I sent to Fredzone (Do on Google and use the french word RESOLU = Hinterkaifeck resolu) a slightly more structured explanation .

Thank you for your trust and your judgment because many unexplained cases remain unexplained because of our mental closures .

Reply

Alain

March 27, 2024 at 7:24 AM

Purely philosophical communication : Do . . .Vol 19 , 5 decembre 1945 over-blog and go to OVER-BLOG . Then I admit that it is easy to conclude after the fact but for the INTERKAIFECK case in 1922 : The missing bunch of keys + a Munich newspaper article found in the entrance + footsteps in the snow towards the barn ARE a message from the killer = I am coming . . . + the house and its inhabitants belong to me . . .+ remember Munich : Something terrible happened in Munich during the war 14-18 and we wanted revenge ??

Reply

Alain

February 26, 2024 at 6:16 PM

About children Sodder in 1945 , you can go on the site Tutorial At Home because I wrote a little on this case . These children go out on their own will probably , so ,they were not in the house . Christmas and love were the pretext to trap naive children . And the 2 women with the 2 men were to give children confidence . The children almost certainly knew at least one of them , hence their confidence .

Reply

Alain

October 23, 2023 at 9:09 AM

Only for this site without highlighting it : Go to the IN MYSTERIAM site using my name + Eilean Mor .

P.S : You had to assume that MacArthur came out first and not last to make a story . Thank you.

Reply

Alain

February 27, 2024 at 7:08 AM

You may too go on the site * Tutorial At Home * because , now , I told a little message on the case Sodder family . The better answer is from the dog and cows !!

Reply

Patrick

September 21, 2023 at 10:45 AM

So college students conceived and built a working oval craft that could hold 2 people and fly off at high speeds making sonic booming noises? Just ludicrous. We would have seen and heard about their invention in the last 50 years...someone would've been gloating about it. Very credible sighting of a UFO from Lonnie.

Reply

Tom

February 11, 2024 at 8:53 PM

Yet that is not what the officer said he saw. It was a balloon like object. He never saw the figures get into or out of the object. It rose slowly.

Reply

Tom

August 15, 2023 at 8:36 PM

Most of what I have read on this treat the sighting and the witness as credible. The two main theories are that he witnessed an experimental or secret flight of some kind, or that it was a prank by the college students.

Adding weight to the second theory is that a former president of the university said he believes one of the students organized it. There is also various hearsay around the university which supports this. But if it were a prank you would think someone would eventually come forward.

Reply

Alain

August 16, 2023 at 11:39 AM

That the police officer had never seen or heard a sound coming from the top of the engine because it was necessarily held by a cable (1) , even a very small one , leads us to absurdity . So either the police officer is lying and it is not true , or he is telling the truth and it is . We always come back to the quality of witnesses . It does not matter what academics think or believe

(1) What else can we imagine in those years ?

P.S : In any case the UFOs are confirmed by the Unians (Americans) since september 19 2019 (?= +/-) , so I do not see the problem maintaining itself as a falsehood anymore . This only strengthens it .

Reply

Alain Valade

January 19, 2023 at 6:58 AM

I am on 18 or 19 cases and only one (Dyatlov) concerns U F O s as an explanation so if we divide 100 19 that gives about 5% which is in the line with the testimonies and explanations about UFOs when we want to make a sens . Other potential cases that may include UFOs : Do ALAIN VALADE + MAYAS (6 sites) / Tougouska ; ALAIN VALADE + TOUNGOUSKA = Espace pour la vie site / Eilean Mor lighthouse : Mindshadow site . Others are : Neo (I am) like in the Matrix ; ALAIN VALADE + POLITIQUE = Le QUEBEC N'EST PAS LA CATALOGNE = about 50 e-mails down . Elisa Lam on HORREUR QUÉBEC site ; about 5 e-mails / Folie Dansante on mindshadow and Curiosity sites / ALAIN VALADE + MUSULMANS = Bagnolet en vert site and D.B Cooper + ALAIN VALADE ; tutorialathome site = He never jumped . Thank you for this site and good reading .

Reply

Alain Valade

January 17, 2023 at 6:43 AM

We have two cerebral hemispheres (Positive=Frontal=Induction and

Negative=Cortex=Deduction) and it is better to be a very normal person but whose two hemispheres dialogue with each other than a genius but trapped in one hemisphere . For Dyatlov Pass and many other files , the specialists of Deduction one with science is so much based are handcuffed because we have to make a story (Induction) but we think that this one will make itself by joining some deductive answers between them ! A theoretical and general vision is indispensable as a basis of support as for Evolution and Relativity . Finally , Dead science must be considered as a sect because its followers trust only their own and only one vision , the Deduction , therefore only one hemisphere works , so , we are crazy ! This is what makes us go around in circles and you can for example do ALAIN VALADE + MARY CELESTE and go to the site VOILE ET MOTEUR because I have an answer for this case and many others . I am intelligent ? No !!!!... I am only in the two places necessary because my two hemispheres work together . In my opinion , is being outwitted by Hercule Poirot who is less specialized but more complete since he does both (Induction and Deduction) . The moral ? To be balanced is superior to the speciality .

Reply

Alain Valade

December 9, 2022 at 4:29 AM

The best example I can provide of the stupidity of Dead science is that of Dyatlov's Pass : Go on Google and do ALAIN VALADE + DYATLOV and go to Paul Jorion's site because I have 2 e-mails at the bottom . We have had the answer from the beginning but we have systematically rejected it . What energy wasted unnecessarily for almost 64 years !

Reply

Alain Valade

December 7, 2022 at 12:15 PM

Dead science (We rely solely on our knowledge and infer from it , so , if something violates that then we deny it) always hides behind this seemingly magical phrase : EXTRAORDINARY ASSERTION REQUIRES EXTRAORDINARY PROOF . This sentence contains venom for them too because what is extraordinary ? to suppose the life elsewhere which visits us or to deny it ? The fossils were denied for centuries or even millennia because it was said that it was chance that made these forms or that it was God who had put them there to test our faith or others ! Ditto for the rogue waves 30 meters high because they were denied until 1936 despite dozens of sailors and centuries of testimonies from them who affirmed that they existed . Ditto for meteorites and their celestial origin which were only confirmed around 1850 despite centuries and millennia of testimonies . For the U.F.Os it will take how many centuries or testimonies ? Dead science is cast in stone and is unable to move unlike Living science which imagines , supposes and adapts all the time = Victory of cerebral movement over the inertia of knowledge . A long time ago I lived in an apartment and the neighbors downstairs were playing their music very loudly . I called the owner who came and saw for himself . After 3 calls to him and since he could not solve the problem then I had the problem to call him ! It looks like the 3 monkeys closing their eyes , ears and mouths and why not the noses ? P.S : My vision of two sciences (Dead and Alive) stems from our two hemispheres . A well-made brain works with both because the Cortex only deduces from its knowledge and the Frontal often induces from its imagination which unleashes the problems !!

Reply

Alain Valade

December 6, 2022 at 12:18 PM

Ockham's razor : All things being equal , we must go for the simplest . What is the easiest ? That 5% of U.F.O cases unexplained by science are true or that by virtue of our knowledge we are still unable to make sense of these U.F.Os so that they are false ? Does the unexplained 5% trump the 95% explained when there is no way to know how much of 95% is actually explained or at least definitely

eliminates U.F.Os ? Ultimately the razor theory is for those who have the power to be right and don't want to lose it . Those that only wait for proof violate the Ockham's principle because they offer nothing but their ignorance with which they dare to pretend to criticize . For a duel to be equal and balanced , we must roll up our sleeves for both sides . Clearly , the progress can not come from the lazy .

Reply

Alain Valade

December 6, 2022 at 7:03 AM

Regarding U.F.Os we are dealing with a belief if we base ourselves on supposed unproven facts but with a truth if we base ourselves on the numerous , solid and above all unexplained testimonies by scientists at the end of their arguments . About 4% to 5% of appearances are unexplained and inexplicable but for the remaining 95% , it is not proven that they are not U.F.Os , so , according to the Law of Probabilities , we must open one more window as for the Heads or Tails so 4 % becomes in my opinion 8% to 10% !!

Reply

Alain Valade

December 4, 2022 at 6:09 AM

There are 3 kinds of intellectuals ; 1 - The Scientists . 2- The Scholars . 3- The Zeteticians . Scientists guess , imagine and unravel problems like Einstein , Darwin , ect.... Scholars only know and apply what Scientists find . And Zeteticians only blubber and criticize without making progress . In short Scientists PRODUCE , Scholars APPLY and Zeteticians are only there to put a spoke in the wheels . They don't understand that they are more the problem than the solution . So in total a Zetetician is not a scientist or a scholar and a scholar is not a scientist . The scholar is to scientist what the fan is to the artist . Even if the fan sings with the artist and has such a beautiful voice , that does not make him an artist because it is the artist who composed , imagined and made the song .

Reply

Alain Valade

December 4, 2022 at 5:42 AM

It is essential to make a story with all the data otherwise , to take only what makes our business is for fools . I've seen Josh's Expedition X and find them very naive with the logo and dates to match but everything else is overshadowed . Suffice to say that the police officer was crazy or somewhat deranged or had smoked a joint ! Project Bluebook was troubled but they too had smoked a joint ? Doing such a prank today is extremely difficult so imagine at that time ? It would have taken a helicopter that the officer would not have seen or heard . . . it is bordering on madness .

Reply

Jim

November 9, 2022 at 8:06 PM

Could have been a prank created by New Mexico Institute of Technology students.

Reply

Bob Lazar

January 22, 2022 at 4:47 PM

Lonnie seems very honest and believable. What else could he have saw? Sam Chavez also seemed very credible. No way the airForce had this technology in the 60s.

Reply

Hiker

February 23, 2021 at 10:37 PM

The desert is the Quebradas, which is accessed thru the Quebradas Backcountry Byway. It literally borders the missile range. I go hiking thru the most untouched areas almost weekly. A VERY eerie place. Hiking thru the long arroyos, you see unexplained tracks and sounds. I NEVER go without my rifle. When the wind blows over some of the higher arroyos, they echo with what seem like screams. Just unsettling.

Reply

Robert Guthrie

January 26, 2021 at 12:47 PM

Undoubtedly a real description of what one police officer had actually seen and experienced. The origins of the UFO remains a mystery.

Reply

Bill Blaski

April 25, 2020 at 2:20 PM

Truly one of the best ufo stories of all time. Lonnie seems very trust worthy. I most certainly believe him.

Reply

Graham

February 18, 2020 at 1:44 PM

This is among the top UFO sightings for me.

Reply

Rhonda

October 4, 2019 at 9:32 AM

I think this might be one of the more "believable" ufo sightings. Always has fascinated me.

Reply

dg

May 19, 2017 at 7:27 PM

I personally have seen a round craft with square windows or lights each with different color frame (red, green, blue)

Reply

Ralph Marshall

December 15, 2016 at 7:58 PM

I myself have witnessed a ufo with my parents when I was quite young. my dad was in the Navy at the time. Two gentlemen showed up and talked to my dad and later, my dad told us to forget what we saw. I think that there is a government cover-up going on and they wont admit what is going on!!!

Reply

HornedGoat

June 6, 2017 at 7:42 AM

If you're talking about Socorro NM, yes there is a government coverup. All the cops are corrupt too

Reply

POSTMORON

September 27, 2015 at 2:20 AM

Could be Bullship too!

Reply

Mulder

July 19, 2015 at 6:28 PM

One of the most fascinating UFO Cases of all time.

Reply

Thomas

December 31, 2014 at 11:59 AM

Could be an alien UFO or something more extraterrestrial.

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Fact 3: Determines the Ancient0003 sample as male through sex determination analysis, using coverage of X and Y chromosomes, but notes no sex determination for Ancient0002 and Ancient0004 due to low human DNA content.



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Fact 1: Determines the conventional radiocarbon age of the "MAIN" Nazca specimen as 6420 ± 30 BP, calibrated to a 95% probability range of Cal BC 5465 to 5400 and Cal BC 5385 to 5305.

Fact 2: Provides a 68% probability calibrated range for "MAIN" of Cal BC 5370 to 5320, indicating the specimen dates to approximately 7320 to 7270 years ago, placing it in the pre-Columbian period.

Fact 3: Uses the SHCAL13 Southern Hemisphere calibration database and the

simplified calibration approach by Talma and Vogel (1993), ensuring accurate dating for Southern Hemisphere samples like those from Nasca, Peru.



Radiocarbon Dating of MARIA Nazca Specimen

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Fact 1: Establishes the conventional radiocarbon age of the "MARIA" Nazca specimen as 1750 ± 30 BP, calibrated to a 95% probability range of Cal AD 245 to 410.

Fact 2: Offers a 68% probability calibrated range for "MARIA" of Cal AD 250 to 295 and Cal AD 335 to 375, dating the specimen to approximately 1700 to 1575 years ago, consistent with pre-Columbian Nazca culture.

Fact 3: Utilizes the SHCAL13 Southern Hemisphere calibration database and the simplified calibration method by Talma and Vogel (1993), ensuring precise dating for the Nazca region.



DNA Sequencing of Nazca Mummy Samples

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Key Facts

Fact 1: Reports that DNA sequencing of Nazca mummy samples, including "Maria," "Hand," and "Victoria," shows approximately 30% similarity to human DNA, with the remainder likely of bacterial origin, common in ancient samples.

Fact 2: Details the extraction and analysis of ancient DNA from six samples (e.g., hand, brain, neck bone, hip bone) received on June 15, 2017, with varying DNA quantities ranging from 0.50 to 8.80 μg , indicating successful DNA recovery despite degradation.

Fact 3: Notes that ongoing bioinformatic studies are being conducted on the ancient DNA reads to retrieve genetic information, determine ancestral origins, and assess the feasibility of deeper genomic sequencing for further insights into the Nazca tridactyl bodies.



Radiocarbon Dating of Nazca Tridactyl Tissue

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Key Facts

Fact 1: Determines a conventional radiocarbon age of 1040 ± 15 BP for a cutaneous tissue sample from a Nazca tridactyl body, calibrated to 996–1135 AD with 95.4% reliability using the SHCal13 Southern Hemisphere curve.

Fact 2: Describes the use of Accelerator Mass Spectrometry (AMS) at the Australian National University, involving chemical treatment, combustion, and graphitization to prepare the sample, ensuring accurate carbon isotope ratio measurement.

Fact 3: Highlights the sample's southern hemisphere origin, processed with Oxcal software for calibration, confirming its age aligns with the pre-Columbian period of the Nazca culture in Peru.



Radiocarbon Dating of Brain, Bone, and Skin Samples

Download

Key Facts

Fact 1: Reports a radiocarbon age of 1010 ± 20 BP for a brain sample from a Nazca tridactyl body, calibrated to align with the pre-Columbian period, indicating its antiquity.

Fact 2: Determines ages of 1080 ± 25 BP for a bone sample and 7270 ± 40 BP for a skin sample, showing a range of dates that suggest multiple specimens or complex preservation histories.

Fact 3: Utilizes Accelerator Mass Spectrometry (AMS) at Caribbean Trace Genetics and Archaeology, with methods involving UV treatment, chemical processing, and stable isotope ratio analysis ($\delta^{13}\text{C}$) to ensure accurate dating.



Analysis of Metals and Minerals in Prehispanic Mummies

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Key Facts

Fact 1: Analyzes metal implants in Nazca tridactyl mummies, identifying a pectoral implant in Josefina as primarily metallic copper (85% by mass) with oxidation products like cuprite, suggesting pre-Columbian origins.

Fact 2: Reveals an annular metal implant in a tridactyl hand as an iron-carbon alloy rich in chromium (16%) with possible nickel passivation, indicating modern manufacturing techniques unlikely for pre-Columbian times.

Fact 3: Detects osmium and cadmium in mummy samples, noting osmium as the densest and most expensive metal, and cadmium as a rare pigment, raising questions about the authenticity and origin of the mummies if they are forgeries.



Mid-Infrared Spectroscopy of Nazca Mummy Samples

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Key Facts

Fact 1: Confirms through mid-infrared spectroscopy that samples from Nazca tridactyl mummies (Victoria's bone, hand tendon, hand bone, Maria's sacrum, and Maria's hip) are highly dehydrated biological tissues, primarily composed of bone and lipids with minimal protein presence.

Fact 2: Identifies the hand tendon sample as likely bone tissue rather than tendon, due to the absence of characteristic tendon proteins like collagen, suggesting degradation or misidentification.

Fact 3: Notes similarities between the external face of the hand bone and viper moults, suggesting possible reptilian-like characteristics in the mummy tissue, though further comparison with reptilian skin is recommended.



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Key Facts

Fact 1: Reports that the "Maria Foot" sample from a Nazca tridactyl mummy generated a partial DNA profile, indicating it contains primate DNA, specifically from a female individual, though the DNA is partially degraded due to environmental exposure.

Fact 2: Finds that nuclear DNA in samples from Maria's tail bone, hand tissue, and baby hair is significantly degraded, likely due to prolonged exposure to high humidity and temperature, rendering it untypable despite efforts to purify and amplify it.

Fact 3: Notes ongoing mitochondrial DNA testing for all samples to target degradation-resistant regions, which may provide further insights into the genetic origins of the Nazca tridactyl bodies.



Synthesis of INGEMMET Analysis Report

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Key Facts

Fact 1: Synthesizes key findings from EDS and MEB analyses on Pre-Columbian samples, including rock and metal implants.

Fact 2: Highlights comparative elemental compositions and spectral data across six distinct samples.

Fact 3: Contextualizes the results within Pre-Columbian metallurgy and geology to assess material authenticity.



Study by Scanning Electron Microscopy

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Key Facts

Fact 1: Details the methodology and preliminary results of SEM (MEB) analyses on various Nasca samples.

Fact 2: Describes operating conditions such as high vacuum mode and the use of HDBSD and EDS detectors for elemental mapping.

Fact 3: Presents morphological and chemical data that highlight compositional

variations in metal implants and geological specimens.



Comprehensive INGEMMET Analysis Report

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Fact 1: Provides a comprehensive analysis of multiple Ingemmet reports using MEB and EDS techniques.

Fact 2: Includes detailed elemental mapping and spectral analysis across diverse sample types.

Fact 3: Discusses technical parameters—such as high voltage and working distance—that are critical for accurate chemical characterization.



Paleo-DNA Analysis of Maria Samples

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Key Facts

Fact 1: Ancient DNA analysis was conducted on multiple bone and tissue samples from the Nazca tridactyl specimen “Maria,” including her hand, foot, coccyx, arm, and vertebrae.

Fact 2: Nuclear DNA was successfully extracted from three of the six samples tested (palm of right hand, finger of left foot, vertebrae), while three others showed no detectable nuclear DNA.

Fact 3: DNA contamination was detected in multiple samples, with evidence suggesting that at least two individuals (one female and one male) contributed to the extracted DNA, complicating definitive identification.



DNA Sequencing of Tridactyl Hand and Brain Tissue

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Key Facts

Fact 1: DNA sequencing of a cranial brain tissue sample and a bone sample from a tridactyl hand both returned a 99-100% match to Homo sapiens (human), though some minor differences were attributed to DNA degradation.

Fact 2: The amelogenin test for sex determination identified both tested samples as belonging to a male individual.

Fact 3: The laboratory ensured strict contamination controls, but no modern reference samples from archaeologists or handlers were available, leaving open the possibility that the results might be influenced by prior contamination.



Analysis of Powder from Mummified Remains

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Fact 1: Identifies the off-white powder from the mummified remains as diatomaceous earth, composed predominantly of diatom fragments and mineral grains.

Fact 2: Solvent extraction revealed the presence of a complex hydrocarbon-based oil, along with traces of sodium chloride (common salt), carbonate minerals, and potential gypsum.

Fact 3: No evidence was found to confirm the powder’s modern origin, though its antiquity could not be definitively established due to the limitations of the analysis.



Radiocarbon Dating of Maria and Victoria Samples

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Key Facts

Fact 1: Radiocarbon dating of brain and skin samples from different Nazca tridactyl specimens revealed ages ranging from approximately 240 AD to 1295 AD, confirming their pre-Columbian origin.

Fact 2: Sample Devise 895 (Maria) yielded a calibrated age of 250 AD - 357 AD, while Devise 880 (brain tissue) was dated between 987 AD - 1145 AD.

Fact 3: The analysis was conducted using accelerator mass spectrometry (AMS) and

calibrated with the SHCal13 curve, ensuring high precision in age determination.

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October/November will be James Webb Telescope finding "biologics/biological signatures" in TRAPPIST 1/Alpha Mensae Star Systems, and the release of "Project Coral Lane" which I don't know enough about, I just know it has to do with this subject.

Running parallel to This, World War 3 is allowed to start any time between right now and this time next year.

Leading up to World War 3 during the same time frame we will see Israel's Dome of the Rock being destroyed and ushering in biblical prophecy, along with the Afghanistan Taliban government announcing their allegiance to the United States and the West for the upcoming World War 3. This will be accepted by the United States and confirmed by the United Nations.

Then by mid 2026 they will interrupt World War 3 with a fake alien invasion.

Then by the end of 2026 They will announce through the United Nations that in order to come together to defeat a common enemy we have to put our petty differences to the side and our borders to the ground and become one nation under God flying the United Nations banner, with the United Nations founder the United States AKA The Majestic 12 group at the head of the table with the UN permanent members sitting on the board.

Then around mid-2027 the Galactic Federation of Light, and a few other extraterrestrial species, will so-called help us defeat the so-called bad aliens; AKA programmed life forms (PLFs) flying alien reproduction vehicles. (ARVs) They will make it look like a good fight and then hit the off switch and say we defeated this so-called enemy, and by the end of 2027 everything will be over and we will be included as an entire Society into the Galactic Federation of Light and begin to rebuild, without all the undesirables they got rid of in the process, alongside their so-called "acceptable" collateral damage to obtain MJ-12's "Full Spectrum Dominance."

Their deceptive disclosure plan has been put right in front of you leading up to this. Telling you that aliens are a "THREAT TO NATIONAL SECURITY" and they know that because they've "studied" it.. Acting like programs are being leaked to identify #alien craft as "threats" so that's what you're looking at them as. The whole point of releasing this James Webb Telescope information is to convince you that not only are aliens real, but they're on their way... And they may or may not be a threat.

That way you accept it as reality when they interrupt their manufactured World War III with the fake alien invasion..

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🤪 This planet is Bozrah (not Earth), and you're an Edomite. The Bible is clear:
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If you (or anyone else) want to talk about the truth, please start at the foundational level: State the name of the planet that we're currently residing on. Unfortunately, the vast majority of people who are aware of this subject are too scared to say the "B" word. I'm not. This planet is not Earth. It is Bozrah.

Earth is another planet about 75,000 light years from here, whereas this planet is merely an impostor planet that calls itself "Earth." Big difference. And trust me, I know how to count to 10 seconds, ACCURATELY. What used to be 10.00 seconds (for me) is now a whopping 15.00 seconds! If you don't believe me, see Matthew 24:22 and Revelation 8:12. For the natives, though, the speed of time here has always been the same.

If you are a Bozrah native, you are in serious trouble. The people of this planet must acknowledge that Bozrah is not Earth and that Jesus is coming to destroy it. Otherwise, don't expect God to save you.

After reading my pinned thread (all four posts), you need to read the Reddit content (including the primer and TimeDiff) and watch the Miss Amy playlist. And in case you're wondering, yes, this info should be headline news. The fact that it's not widely reported doesn't diminish its importance or validity.

And finally, regarding the validity of the Bible, see this post:

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Here are two paragraphs from the rebuttal:

In regard to people saying that my claim about the time difference is based on the Bible: By mid-August of 2019, I had already made the claim that this planet is a replica version of the real Earth (my claim was based on things such as the changes in human anatomy and the two additional occupants in the JFK car). It wasn't until the following month (September 2019) that I found out about FDR being on the dime instead of Eisenhower. And then in mid-September, I found out about the time difference. And then 10 months after that (on July 19th, 2020), I discovered Revelation 8:12. So, no, my claim about the time difference is not "based on the Bible."

In conclusion, I made the claim (with 100% certainty) about days being 16 hours long without even knowing about the existence of Revelation 8:12. In other words, what I experienced and documented in 2019 proves that the Bible is, indeed, true. Ultimately, one's worldview should be based on that which actually exists and that which is actually true. I would hazard a guess that your current worldview is based, however, on long-standing falsehoods that seem very, very, very reasonable. Keep in mind, a long-standing falsehood that seems very, very, very reasonable is still a falsehood nonetheless. Frankly, I think it's high time you re-examined your own beliefs. So, let me ask you this: All these years, where exactly have you been getting your knowledge from?

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In 2019, on Reddit, I published several observations about this reality. In 2020, it was discovered that one of them—the time difference—perfectly aligns with Rev 8:12. Note that I am NOT the originator of this Rev 8:12 interpretation.

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Don't be fooled by the lack of media attention surrounding my material; I've already proven that this planet is Bozrah. This is not a debate.

Below, I'll outline exactly what the material is, and then it's up to you to explore it or not.

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"UFO shapes changed over time" seems to be a myth

You'll often see people claim things, often in the form of a question, such as "why did UFO shapes change since the 60s," or "why do UFOs follow our technological progression," but I don't think the main premise in these questions is true.

(To be clear, I'm not claiming that this "changing UFO" phenomenon isn't true in any fashion. Presumably, some percentage of UFO photos and descriptions would be hoaxes, and hoaxers are likely to get their ideas from movies and the like, so you probably should see at least some change here and there, but overall, provided that the obvious hoaxes can be ignored, this narrative isn't accurate.)

There isn't any difference at all if we're talking general shapes (disc, triangle, cigar/tic tac, sphere, balls of light, etc). What people will often claim is that "triangles replaced the discs" or some variation like that. However, this doesn't seem to be true. At best, the percentage of total reports of triangles and discs changed, not the presence of the discs or triangles themselves. This holds true for pretty much every major kind of UFO.

According to Nasa's Richard Stothers (NASA Goddard Institute for Space Studies), "the UFO phenomenon, whatever it may be due to, has not changed much over two millennia" (click PDF). <https://pubs.giss.nasa.gov/abs/st02710y.html> He cites some choice examples, but you can find a lot more out there.

For example, the standard, and now more common triangle with a light on each tip, often with an orange/red one in the center, was first spotted in 1960.

Links on that:

https://np.reddit.com/r/UFOs/comments/onj9m3/a_brief_history_of_triangular_uaps/h5s3wfw/ An additional triangle without any lights from 1950 also provided, but you can find plenty of others.

This same triangular object described above caused the 1989 Belgian UFO wave,

and was also allegedly photographed by a military pilot a few years ago (minus the red central light). In fact, both the 1960 triangle and the 1989 triangle even shares the same curious characteristic of the triangle strangely "pointing up" on occasion for some reason. The Belgian Wave.

And discs are still seen recently. For examples, you can find a bunch on NUFORC extending up to this year and last year. For imagery, a disc was videoed in 2007: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=obVsL0iqeC4> and another one photographed in 2007: <https://web.archive.org/web/20130408231506/http://www.ufoevidence.org/photographs/section/recent/Photo416.htm> Another one was videoed in 2021: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mhCiRwyJLI8>

[NOTE: with imagery, especially for the examples provided above, it must be mentioned that the majority of debunks are false. Not only are most of them mutually exclusive if there is more than one for a case, they are almost always based on a coincidence argument. Here is a detailed explanation for how and why these kinds of coincidence arguments appear to be convincing, but often don't hold any water. For examples, here are 8 debunks for the Calvine photo. Here are 13 debunks for the Turkey UFO incident. Notice almost every single one of these is both based on a coincidence and they are mutually exclusive. This obviously demonstrates that coincidences are extremely easy to find in a UFO case, and they typically have nothing whatsoever to do with the authenticity of the imagery.]

Even UFO crashes allegedly from extraterrestrials complete with strange writing resembling hieroglyphics extends back over 80 years at least before Roswell. Here is a UFO crash from 1864 hypothesized at the time to originate from extraterrestrials (labeled 1865 possibly erroneously): <https://www.loc.gov/resource/sn84027008/1865-11-05/ed-1/?sp=3&st=text&clip=31%2C24%2C1009%2C5069&ciw=1009&rot=0> (here is an archived link if that doesn't work, and it was discussed here on Patrick Gross's website)

What about aliens that exit a spacecraft and walk around? 1896: "THREE STRANGE VISITORS Who Possibly Came From the Planet Mars Seen on a Country Road by Colonel H.G. Shaw and a Companion" <https://ufologie.patrickgross.org/airship/25nov1896-lodi-california.htm>

Is the tic tac a new UFO? No. This thread has some examples of cigar/tic tac/egg shaped UFOs dating from 1873 to modern times: https://np.reddit.com/r/UFOs/comments/nh4l36/reminder_the_only_thing_new_about_the_tictac/

Balls of light that zip around in the sky recorded by Massachusetts Bay Colony Governor in the 1600s. https://np.reddit.com/r/UFOs/comments/10c0z1g/ufo_sightings_recorded_by_massachusetts_bay/

1561 Celestial Phenomenon over Nuremberg, spheres, cigars, and an "arrowhead-shaped" black flying object: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1561_celestial_phenomenon_over_Nuremberg

Here's a very interesting luminous UFO that had a "door" that opened up from the 11th century China, then it took off "at a tremendous speed," recorded by polymathic scientist Shen Kuo, who gathered reports of it: https://np.reddit.com/r/aliens/comments/cjd2pk/11th_century_ufo_sighting_reported_by_chinese/

Another similar myth out there argues that such objects are not actually disc-shaped because the disc was an erroneous description promulgated by the media after misinterpreting what Kenneth Arnold described.

Arnold claimed he saw 9 objects, 8 essentially discs and one possibly crescent shaped, but it could have been due to the angle it was viewed at. When he described the disks, he used the description "convex triangle at the rear," but

I believe a lot of people mistook that to mean "concave," as if crescent shaped. You can find mainstream media articles and the like that contributed to this myth that Arnold claimed he saw crescent objects, plural, but it's nonsense.

However, earlier stories did in fact credit Arnold with using terms such as "saucer", "disk", and "pie-pan" in describing the shape. (see quotations further below)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kenneth_Arnold_UFO_sighting#Publicity_and_origins_of_term_%22flying_saucer%22

See here for more information: <https://kevinrandle.blogspot.com/2015/07/flying-saucers-and-kenneth-arnold.html>

At best, what happened is Arnold got spooked by the "saucer hysteria" that developed over the years and decided he needed to distance himself from it because it was embarrassing, so he decided to focus on one object that he later claimed may have been crescent-shaped. As everyone knows, when a guy catches a fish, the first time he tells the story, it's a decent sized fish, but as the years go on, that fish just keeps getting bigger and bigger after he keeps recalling it. After a period of time, Arnold eventually posed in front of a drawing someone made of a crescent-shaped object, which was the drawing that was boosted in the media.

So what did he actually see? Because he needed a way of understanding why it was in the air, his brain may have added a tiny bit of "wing" and something of a minute "tail" to it to comprehend it (my personal speculation).

As he says, he saw no tail (a vertical tail I believe he was referring to here), but at the time he thought there could be a tail there that blended in with the mountains because it theoretically could have been painted the same color as the mountains, so it's already established that he was making assumptions about the object that he wasn't himself witnessing to understand why it was flying.

Referring back to his original drawing to the Army, you'll notice it's like 95 percent of a flying disc. So the three available options are: 1) those objects looked exactly as he described and many other subsequent reports were drawn and described about 5 percent inaccurately. 2) Arnold did see virtually perfect disks, but since the idea was not in his head, his brain changed the appearance of the objects by 5 percent in his memory to understand them as described above. Or 3) something in between and both are wrong by maybe 2.5 percent. Either way, the prevailing narratives supporting the "crescent" myth are so far removed from what happened, I'm surprised they've kept it going this long when his original drawing is available in numerous places online. Everyone should agree that the closer in time a report and drawing is made to an event, the more accurate it likely is.

Aside from that, you can find flying disc reports going much further back before Kenneth Arnold, so the entire point is moot anyhow. Even if you somehow disagree and still believe that Arnold saw 9 crescent-shaped objects that he himself didn't even claim, it would simply be a coincidence that the media got it right after misinterpreting his description.

Thanks for reading.

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Am in the middle of reading Dimensions by Jacques Vallee and it's very relevant to the topic. He talks about written account of flying "earthenware potty" way back in the 1100s in Japan.

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That book was awesome. The similarities throughout history goes far beyond simple objects in the sky. You might like Charles Fort's books as well. I think it was in Fort's Lo! where I read about a few "jetpack man" sightings from the late 1800s, early 1900s. Look around and you can find a bunch of old flying humanoid cases, witches, etc. Half the time you can't tell if it's just another tale or what.

Another type I've been trying to look into is the MIB phenomenon. I'll share one.

Charles Fort, in Lo! (1931):

The most circumstantial of the stories appears in the Journal S. P. R., November, 1893. Miss M. Scott writes that, upon the afternoon of the 7th of May, 1893, between five and six o'clock, she was walking upon a road, near St. Boswells (Roxburghshire) when she saw ahead of her a tall man, who, dressed in black, looked like a clergyman. There is no assertion that this "figure" looked ghostly, and there is a little circumstance that indicates that the "figure," or the living being, was looked at more than casually. Having considerable distance to go, Miss Scott started to run: but it occurred to her that it would not be dignified to run past this stranger: so she stood still, to let the distance increase. She saw the clerical-looking man turn a corner of the road, the upper part of his body visible above a low hedge—"he was gone in an instant." Not far beyond this vanishing point, Miss Scott met her sister, who was standing in the road, looking about her in bewilderment, exclaiming that she had seen a man disappear, while she was looking at him.

Another book has this as occurring in 1892. I'm not sure which is correct because I couldn't find the original source that was cited. You can read the passage here: <https://imgur.com/a/geFzhAm> An excerpt:

Miss Scott encountered the strange clergyman again on Sunday June 12th, and this time decided to pursue the man in order to get a closer look at him, only to find that "though he was apparently walking slowly, I never could get any closer than within a few yards for in a moment he seemed to float or skim away."

This description is very reminiscent of modern MIB encounters from the appearance and outdated/strange outfit, and the description of the movement is similar to some alien sightings. They are often described as floating slightly to move around, or moving quickly, but in "slow motion," etc.

Here is the book (Scroll up a few pages to find it)

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My favorite r/ufo poster will always be mk ultraescape thanks for all your contributions

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If helps at all, I've seen the bottom part of a classical looking flying disk last April.

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u/FamiliarSomeone avatar
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3y ago
This is useful, thank you. Is it possible that it is a language issue? Geometrical shapes, colours and lights are a common feature throughout history, but the analogy of what the phenomena is compared to changes as technology advances. What interests me more is the appearance of beings who accompany such phenomena who do seem to have adapted their appearance at times to the historical and cultural period. I do not know if this is framing by the people who experience them or if they actually transform to suit expectations. There does seem to be evidence of an interplay of expectation and reality in my view, but I will consider your evidence and the links you posted.

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3y ago

Yes, this is an excellent point. I do agree, as I stated, that you can find some kinds of "change over time" throughout the reports, but this doesn't apply to the shapes of the objects, at least if we're talking about the 6 or so main shapes.

The language issue is a perfect explanation for that if we assume that such examples are actually true. For example, in the 1800s, perhaps somebody describes an object as having propellers, but in reality, perhaps it was just some circular thing on the object that appeared to be propellers. In those days, propellers were a propulsion concept in both air and water that people were aware of, so to them, propellers on the object would make sense. They may not have actually seen propellers, but they interpreted what they saw as such.

To make things a little more complicated, there is the additional possibility of humans themselves creating airships that the population didn't know about, or that were lost to history. Human-created objects will obviously "change over time" as our technology changes. Those two issues, along with the fact that in some of the reports, it's difficult to decide whether it was made up or not, makes reading these reports tedious, but nobody told me it was going to be simple.

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exactly. look at Leonardo da Vinci's drawings, for example.

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This is an excellent analysis, especially the breakdown of Arnold's account and his story as it slightly changes over the years. Some of this may be due to the fact that Ray Palmer, the editor of Fate magazine, was the one primarily publishing Arnold's written accounts from 1948 to 1952. The Shaver Mystery shows that Palmer was not shy with his editorial hand.

On the shape of the objects that he saw, I tend to think at least the eight similar objects were the truncated disc or shoe heel shape that he described, primarily because of the Rhodes photos from Arizona a couple of weeks later:

<https://imgur.com/a/ZlCWBVL>

You could suggest that Rhodes was hoaxing based Arnold's description, except that the description most people were hearing about in the papers was saucer or pie pan. I don't believe his drawing that he made for the investigators that you show here had been made public yet.

The famous cover of the first issue of Fate magazine in 1948, which published the first full length article by Arnold, is based on his description:

<https://imgur.com/a/4x5nKpe>

Also, just an observation, looking at the Rhodes photos, I think it's possible that if it were turned at the right angle I could see how it might be mistaken

for the crescent or batwing shaped object that he saw as well. In other words they may have all had the same shape but one of them was turned at a different angle. Alternatively, it could be as he said and one of them really was a different shape. That's not uncommon with sightings over the ages as well.

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This same triangular object described above caused the 1989 Belgian UFO wave

this is not honest and accurate reporting

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Where is the difference? The position of the lights are the same, the color of the inside light is the same, the color of the outside lights almost the same (blue and white aren't much different light descriptions), the behavior is the same (take off at high speed, hover, occasionally nose pointing up, silent), and both had military witnesses (people who are familiar with regular aircraft), so I don't see why you wouldn't assume one is probably the same as the other. There are far too many things consistent between them.

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This just came up definitely an attempt at misinformation. Inconsistency means either sightings are fabricated or changing covert government technology. In fact over centuries the same various shapes are described: disc, bell, cigar/tictac, etc.

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Constant-Signal-2058

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3y ago

The pics sure do look different over time. I think that's mostly what the average person, like myself, is looking at. Idk one way or the other. Again though, the pics from the 70s just look different. I understand the claim.

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I'll have to respectfully disagree. The biggest issue is trying to figure out what was a hoax or not, but even if we ignore that, there are plenty of different UFOs that are represented in multiple decades.

From the information in my post: 1) The specific triangle with three lights, one on each tip has been around for at least 61 years. 2) Spheres have been around for many hundreds of years. 3) Balls of light that zip around have been around for many hundreds of years. Cigar-shaped UFOs have been around for at least 150 years.

Here are like 500 photos: UFOevidence archive. Keep clicking 'next' to scroll through the archive, or mess around with the menu on the side to sort them. UFO casebook (2011 is broken, so use this link for that year), Patrick Gross archive, BlackVault daytime archive, BlackVault night time archive, Wendlle Stevens archive.

Examples of the disc with a flat bottom and a "ping pong ball on top" specifically (24 year span):

1954 - Sicily, Italy, December 10.

<https://www.ufocasebook.com/sicilyitaly1954large.jpg>

1964- witnessed in California, described by Professor Robert Jacobs and Major F.J. Mansmann: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x4wL4lbwvNU&t=22s>

1971 - Costa Rica, September 4 - photo taken by an official mapping aircraft of the Costa Rican government <https://www.unilad.com/news/new-version-of-best-picture-of-a-ufo-ever-has-been-released-20220507>

Striking similarity between drawing of UFO from Westall 1966 and John Lennon's sketch from his 1974 sighting:

https://np.reddit.com/r/aliens/comments/b06lxp/striking_similarity_between_john_lennons_nyc_ufo/

1978 - Colfax, Wisconsin. On April 19, 1978 <https://www.openminds.tv/ufo-photographs-from-colfax-wisconsin/11015>

The thick disc with large dome (86 year span):

1932- Paris, Ohio: <https://www.ufocasebook.com/ohio32large.jpg>

1965 - Warminster, England <https://www.ufocasebook.com/scotland1965.jpg>

1967 - Woonsocket, Rhode Island

<https://www.ufocasebook.com/woonsocket1967large.jpg>

Turkey 1998: <https://www.ufocasebook.com/turkey1998.jpg>

2018 - Narragansett, Rhode Island <https://www.ufocasebook.com/2018/rhode-island.jpeg>

Standard disc, medium sized dome (57 year span):

1952 - Passaic, New Jersey <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R85S2xBWohs>

1993, Meridian, Ohio: [https://preview.redd.it/of1xsdcsziz31.jpg?](https://preview.redd.it/of1xsdcsziz31.jpg?width=604&format=pjpg&auto=webp&v=enabled&s=89cddf5e0b723aadbde21b7ed255e63edbc586e)

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2009 Prijedor - Bosnia <https://vimeo.com/4951898>

Look through all of those archives I provided for anyone who wants to find more. I'll bet if you drew each one and asked somebody to assign a decade to each one, they'd have a tough time doing it.

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magicfingers73

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I read an article years ago suggesting they may be "designed" with current understanding/trends in mind. For example, there are some OLD reports that kind of look almost victorian in appearance. Food for thought

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Look at cars, phones, anything tech from the 1940's through today. Things change.

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One explanation I've heard without evidence but is interesting nonetheless, is the claim that each UAP/UFO is 3-D printed to spec before flight and disassembled afterwards. All by this supposed giant under water factory of the Atlantic. Supposedly, one reason for changes is that ships with different shapes serve different purposes and that being shot down enough times by us over the last 70 years has necessitated the use of more pilotless drones. I have no idea if there's any validity to the claims, but it's the first time I've ever heard an explanation that ties together all these different sightings.

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Bright Moon Pearl. If it's not fiction it's mind-blowing.

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Same for aliens.

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Tl;dr

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I'll give it a shot.

Whenever someone says "UFO shapes have changed over time," referring to discs, triangles, cigars, etc, they are just spreading another myth because you can find all of the main shapes both recently and throughout history. The only debatable variation of the argument is that details on the UFOs may or may not have changed over time. It's subjective and possibly influenced by technical knowledge the witnesses had in the time period. Human-made aircraft erroneously labeled as UFOs and hoaxes specifically should change over time, but not UFOs in general. Also Kenneth Arnold really did see flying discs as his original drawing to the Army clearly shows, not 9 crescents.

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iSWINE

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3y ago
I've always took that the "changing" of UFO descriptions came from our further understanding of technology at the current peak, not from the UFOs matching our

current technological understanding to "stay hidden etc"

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Obviously the aliens are capitalists and get new ships over time.

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"UFO shapes changed over time" seems to be a myth

You'll often see people claim things, often in the form of a question, such as "why did UFO shapes change since the 60s," or "why do UFOs follow our technological progression," but I don't think the main premise in these questions is true.

(To be clear, I'm not claiming that this "changing UFO" phenomenon isn't true in any fashion. Presumably, some percentage of UFO photos and descriptions would be hoaxes, and hoaxers are likely to get their ideas from movies and the like, so you probably should see at least some change here and there, but overall, provided that the obvious hoaxes can be ignored, this narrative isn't accurate.)

There isn't any difference at all if we're talking general shapes (disc, triangle, cigar/tic tac, sphere, balls of light, etc). What people will often claim is that "triangles replaced the discs" or some variation like that. However, this doesn't seem to be true. At best, the percentage of total reports of triangles and discs changed, not the presence of the discs or triangles themselves. This holds true for pretty much every major kind of UFO.

According to Nasa's Richard Stothers (NASA Goddard Institute for Space Studies), "the UFO phenomenon, whatever it may be due to, has not changed much over two millennia" (click PDF). <https://pubs.giss.nasa.gov/abs/st02710y.html> He cites some choice examples, but you can find a lot more out there.

For example, the standard, and now more common triangle with a light on each tip, often with an orange/red one in the center, was first spotted in 1960.

Links on that:

https://np.reddit.com/r/UFOs/comments/onj9m3/a_brief_history_of_triangular_uaps/h5s3wfw/ An additional triangle without any lights from 1950 also provided, but you can find plenty of others.

This same triangular object described above caused the 1989 Belgian UFO wave,

and was also allegedly photographed by a military pilot a few years ago (minus the red central light). In fact, both the 1960 triangle and the 1989 triangle even shares the same curious characteristic of the triangle strangely "pointing up" on occasion for some reason. The Belgian Wave.

And discs are still seen recently. For examples, you can find a bunch on NUFORC extending up to this year and last year. For imagery, a disc was videoed in 2007: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=obVsL0iqeC4> and another one photographed in 2007: <https://web.archive.org/web/20130408231506/http://www.ufoevidence.org/photographs/section/recent/Photo416.htm> Another one was videoed in 2021: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mhCiRwyJLI8>

[NOTE: with imagery, especially for the examples provided above, it must be mentioned that the majority of debunks are false. Not only are most of them mutually exclusive if there is more than one for a case, they are almost always based on a coincidence argument. Here is a detailed explanation for how and why these kinds of coincidence arguments appear to be convincing, but often don't hold any water. For examples, here are 8 debunks for the Calvine photo. Here are 13 debunks for the Turkey UFO incident. Notice almost every single one of these is both based on a coincidence and they are mutually exclusive. This obviously demonstrates that coincidences are extremely easy to find in a UFO case, and they typically have nothing whatsoever to do with the authenticity of the imagery.]

Even UFO crashes allegedly from extraterrestrials complete with strange writing resembling hieroglyphics extends back over 80 years at least before Roswell. Here is a UFO crash from 1864 hypothesized at the time to originate from extraterrestrials (labeled 1865 possibly erroneously): <https://www.loc.gov/resource/sn84027008/1865-11-05/ed-1/?sp=3&st=text&clip=31%2C24%2C1009%2C5069&ciw=1009&rot=0> (here is an archived link if that doesn't work, and it was discussed here on Patrick Gross's website)

What about aliens that exit a spacecraft and walk around? 1896: "THREE STRANGE VISITORS Who Possibly Came From the Planet Mars Seen on a Country Road by Colonel H.G. Shaw and a Companion" <https://ufologie.patrickgross.org/airship/25nov1896-lodi-california.htm>

Is the tic tac a new UFO? No. This thread has some examples of cigar/tic tac/egg shaped UFOs dating from 1873 to modern times: https://np.reddit.com/r/UFOs/comments/nh4l36/reminder_the_only_thing_new_about_the_tictac/

Balls of light that zip around in the sky recorded by Massachusetts Bay Colony Governor in the 1600s. https://np.reddit.com/r/UFOs/comments/10c0z1g/ufo_sightings_recorded_by_massachusetts_bay/

1561 Celestial Phenomenon over Nuremberg, spheres, cigars, and an "arrowhead-shaped" black flying object: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1561_celestial_phenomenon_over_Nuremberg

Here's a very interesting luminous UFO that had a "door" that opened up from the 11th century China, then it took off "at a tremendous speed," recorded by polymathic scientist Shen Kuo, who gathered reports of it: https://np.reddit.com/r/aliens/comments/cjd2pk/11th_century_ufo_sighting_reported_by_chinese/

Another similar myth out there argues that such objects are not actually disc-shaped because the disc was an erroneous description promulgated by the media after misinterpreting what Kenneth Arnold described.

Arnold claimed he saw 9 objects, 8 essentially discs and one possibly crescent shaped, but it could have been due to the angle it was viewed at. When he described the disks, he used the description "convex triangle at the rear," but

I believe a lot of people mistook that to mean "concave," as if crescent shaped. You can find mainstream media articles and the like that contributed to this myth that Arnold claimed he saw crescent objects, plural, but it's nonsense.

However, earlier stories did in fact credit Arnold with using terms such as "saucer", "disk", and "pie-pan" in describing the shape. (see quotations further below)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kenneth_Arnold_UFO_sighting#Publicity_and_origins_of_term_%22flying_saucer%22

See here for more information: <https://kevinrandle.blogspot.com/2015/07/flying-saucers-and-kenneth-arnold.html>

At best, what happened is Arnold got spooked by the "saucer hysteria" that developed over the years and decided he needed to distance himself from it because it was embarrassing, so he decided to focus on one object that he later claimed may have been crescent-shaped. As everyone knows, when a guy catches a fish, the first time he tells the story, it's a decent sized fish, but as the years go on, that fish just keeps getting bigger and bigger after he keeps recalling it. After a period of time, Arnold eventually posed in front of a drawing someone made of a crescent-shaped object, which was the drawing that was boosted in the media.

So what did he actually see? Because he needed a way of understanding why it was in the air, his brain may have added a tiny bit of "wing" and something of a minute "tail" to it to comprehend it (my personal speculation).

As he says, he saw no tail (a vertical tail I believe he was referring to here), but at the time he thought there could be a tail there that blended in with the mountains because it theoretically could have been painted the same color as the mountains, so it's already established that he was making assumptions about the object that he wasn't himself witnessing to understand why it was flying.

Referring back to his original drawing to the Army, you'll notice it's like 95 percent of a flying disc. So the three available options are: 1) those objects looked exactly as he described and many other subsequent reports were drawn and described about 5 percent inaccurately. 2) Arnold did see virtually perfect disks, but since the idea was not in his head, his brain changed the appearance of the objects by 5 percent in his memory to understand them as described above. Or 3) something in between and both are wrong by maybe 2.5 percent. Either way, the prevailing narratives supporting the "crescent" myth are so far removed from what happened, I'm surprised they've kept it going this long when his original drawing is available in numerous places online. Everyone should agree that the closer in time a report and drawing is made to an event, the more accurate it likely is.

Aside from that, you can find flying disc reports going much further back before Kenneth Arnold, so the entire point is moot anyhow. Even if you somehow disagree and still believe that Arnold saw 9 crescent-shaped objects that he himself didn't even claim, it would simply be a coincidence that the media got it right after misinterpreting his description.

Thanks for reading.

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3y ago

Am in the middle of reading Dimensions by Jacques Vallee and it's very relevant to the topic. He talks about written account of flying "earthenware potty" way back in the 1100s in Japan.

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u/MKULTRA_Escapee avatar
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3y ago

That book was awesome. The similarities throughout history goes far beyond simple objects in the sky. You might like Charles Fort's books as well. I think it was in Fort's Lo! where I read about a few "jetpack man" sightings from the late 1800s, early 1900s. Look around and you can find a bunch of old flying humanoid cases, witches, etc. Half the time you can't tell if it's just another tale or what.

Another type I've been trying to look into is the MIB phenomenon. I'll share one.

Charles Fort, in Lo! (1931):

The most circumstantial of the stories appears in the Journal S. P. R., November, 1893. Miss M. Scott writes that, upon the afternoon of the 7th of May, 1893, between five and six o'clock, she was walking upon a road, near St. Boswells (Roxburghshire) when she saw ahead of her a tall man, who, dressed in black, looked like a clergyman. There is no assertion that this "figure" looked ghostly, and there is a little circumstance that indicates that the "figure," or the living being, was looked at more than casually. Having considerable distance to go, Miss Scott started to run: but it occurred to her that it would not be dignified to run past this stranger: so she stood still, to let the distance increase. She saw the clerical-looking man turn a corner of the road, the upper part of his body visible above a low hedge—"he was gone in an instant." Not far beyond this vanishing point, Miss Scott met her sister, who was standing in the road, looking about her in bewilderment, exclaiming that she had seen a man disappear, while she was looking at him.

Another book has this as occurring in 1892. I'm not sure which is correct because I couldn't find the original source that was cited. You can read the passage here: <https://imgur.com/a/geFzhAm> An excerpt:

Miss Scott encountered the strange clergyman again on Sunday June 12th, and this time decided to pursue the man in order to get a closer look at him, only to find that "though he was apparently walking slowly, I never could get any closer than within a few yards for in a moment he seemed to float or skim away."

This description is very reminiscent of modern MIB encounters from the appearance and outdated/strange outfit, and the description of the movement is similar to some alien sightings. They are often described as floating slightly to move around, or moving quickly, but in "slow motion," etc.

Here is the book (Scroll up a few pages to find it)

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Half the time you can't tell if it's just another tale or what.

Humans repeat what they see.

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u/irrelevantappelation avatar
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Excellent

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-J. Allen Hynek

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Vincefinney1909

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3y ago

My favorite r/ufo poster will always be mk ultraescape thanks for all your contributions

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3y ago

If helps at all, I've seen the bottom part of a classical looking flying disk last April.

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u/FamiliarSomeone avatar
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3y ago

This is useful, thank you. Is it possible that it is a language issue? Geometrical shapes, colours and lights are a common feature throughout history, but the analogy of what the phenomena is compared to changes as technology advances. What interests me more is the appearance of beings who accompany such phenomena who do seem to have adapted their appearance at times to the

historical and cultural period. I do not know if this is framing by the people who experience them or if they actually transform to suit expectations. There does seem to be evidence of an interplay of expectation and reality in my view, but I will consider your evidence and the links you posted.

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Yes, this is an excellent point. I do agree, as I stated, that you can find some kinds of "change over time" throughout the reports, but this doesn't apply to the shapes of the objects, at least if we're talking about the 6 or so main shapes.

The language issue is a perfect explanation for that if we assume that such examples are actually true. For example, in the 1800s, perhaps somebody describes an object as having propellers, but in reality, perhaps it was just some circular thing on the object that appeared to be propellers. In those days, propellers were a propulsion concept in both air and water that people were aware of, so to them, propellers on the object would make sense. They may not have actually seen propellers, but they interpreted what they saw as such.

To make things a little more complicated, there is the additional possibility of humans themselves creating airships that the population didn't know about, or that were lost to history. Human-created objects will obviously "change over time" as our technology changes. Those two issues, along with the fact that in some of the reports, it's difficult to decide whether it was made up or not, makes reading these reports tedious, but nobody told me it was going to be simple.

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exactly. look at Leonardo da Vinci's drawings, for example.

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This is an excellent analysis, especially the breakdown of Arnold's account and his story as it slightly changes over the years. Some of this may be due to the fact that Ray Palmer, the editor of Fate magazine, was the one primarily publishing Arnold's written accounts from 1948 to 1952. The Shaver Mystery shows that Palmer was not shy with his editorial hand.

On the shape of the objects that he saw, I tend to think at least the eight similar objects were the truncated disc or shoe heel shape that he described, primarily because of the Rhodes photos from Arizona a couple of weeks later:

<https://imgur.com/a/ZlCWBVL>

You could suggest that Rhodes was hoaxing based Arnold's description, except that the description most people were hearing about in the papers was saucer or pie pan. I don't believe his drawing that he made for the investigators that you show here had been made public yet.

The famous cover of the first issue of Fate magazine in 1948, which published the first full length article by Arnold, is based on his description:

<https://imgur.com/a/4x5nKpe>

Also, just an observation, looking at the Rhodes photos, I think it's possible that if it were turned at the right angle I could see how it might be mistaken for the crescent or batwing shaped object that he saw as well. In other words they may have all had the same shape but one of them was turned at a different angle. Alternatively, it could be as he said and one of them really was a different shape. That's not uncommon with sightings over the ages as well.

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u/sirlanceolate avatar
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This same triangular object described above caused the 1989 Belgian UFO wave

this is not honest and accurate reporting

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Where is the difference? The position of the lights are the same, the color of the inside light is the same, the color of the outside lights almost the same (blue and white aren't much different light descriptions), the behavior is the same (take off at high speed, hover, occasionally nose pointing up, silent), and both had military witnesses (people who are familiar with regular aircraft), so I don't see why you wouldn't assume one is probably the same as the other. There are far too many things consistent between them.

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This just came up definitely an attempt at misinformation. Inconsistency means either sightings are fabricated or changing covert government technology. In fact over centuries the same various shapes are described: disc, bell, cigar/tictac, etc.

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Constant-Signal-2058

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3y ago

The pics sure do look different over time. I think that's mostly what the average person, like myself, is looking at. Idk one way or the other. Again though, the pics from the 70s just look different. I understand the claim.

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I'll have to respectfully disagree. The biggest issue is trying to figure out

what was a hoax or not, but even if we ignore that, there are plenty of different UFOs that are represented in multiple decades.

From the information in my post: 1) The specific triangle with three lights, one on each tip has been around for at least 61 years. 2) Spheres have been around for many hundreds of years. 3) Balls of light that zip around have been around for many hundreds of years. Cigar-shaped UFOs have been around for at least 150 years.

Here are like 500 photos: UFOevidence archive. Keep clicking 'next' to scroll through the archive, or mess around with the menu on the side to sort them. UFO casebook (2011 is broken, so use this link for that year), Patrick Gross archive, BlackVault daytime archive, BlackVault night time archive, Wendlle Stevens archive.

Examples of the disc with a flat bottom and a "ping pong ball on top" specifically (24 year span):

1954 - Sicily, Italy, December 10.
<https://www.ufocasebook.com/sicilyitaly1954large.jpg>

1964- witnessed in California, described by Professor Robert Jacobs and Major F.J. Mansmann: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x4wL4lbwwNU&t=22s>

1971 - Costa Rica, September 4 - photo taken by an official mapping aircraft of the Costa Rican government <https://www.unilad.com/news/new-version-of-best-picture-of-a-ufo-ever-has-been-released-20220507>

Striking similarity between drawing of UFO from Westall 1966 and John Lennon's sketch from his 1974 sighting:
https://np.reddit.com/r/aliens/comments/b06lxp/striking_similarity_between_john_lennons_nyc_ufo/

1978 - Colfax, Wisconsin. On April 19, 1978 <https://www.openminds.tv/ufo-photographs-from-colfax-wisconsin/11015>

The thick disc with large dome (86 year span):

1932- Paris, Ohio: <https://www.ufocasebook.com/ohio32large.jpg>

1965 - Warminster, England <https://www.ufocasebook.com/scotland1965.jpg>

1967 - Woonsocket, Rhode Island
<https://www.ufocasebook.com/woonsocket1967large.jpg>

Turkey 1998: <https://www.ufocasebook.com/turkey1998.jpg>

2018 - Narragansett, Rhode Island <https://www.ufocasebook.com/2018/rhode-island.jpeg>

Standard disc, medium sized dome (57 year span):

1952 - Passaic, New Jersey <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R85S2xBWohs>

1993, Meridian, Ohio: <https://preview.redd.it/of1xsdcisz31.jpg?width=604&format=pjpg&auto=webp&v=enabled&s=89cddfd5e0b723aadbde21b7ed255e63edbc586e>

2009 Prijedor - Bosnia <https://vimeo.com/4951898>

Look through all of those archives I provided for anyone who wants to find more. I'll bet if you drew each one and asked somebody to assign a decade to each one, they'd have a tough time doing it.

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magicfingers73

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3y ago

I read an article years ago suggesting they may be "designed" with current understanding/trends in mind. For example, there are some OLD reports that kind of look almost victorian in appearance. Food for thought

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Look at cars, phones, anything tech from the 1940's through today. Things change.

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One explanation I've heard without evidence but is interesting nonetheless, is the claim that each UAP/UFO is 3-D printed to spec before flight and disassembled afterwards. All by this supposed giant under water factory of the Atlantic. Supposedly, one reason for changes is that ships with different shapes serve different purposes and that being shot down enough times by us over the last 70 years has necessitated the use of more pilotless drones. I have no idea if there's any validity to the claims, but it's the first time I've ever heard an explanation that ties together all these different sightings.

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Bright Moon Pearl. If it's not fiction it's mind-blowing.

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Same for aliens.

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Tl;dr

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I'll give it a shot.

Whenever someone says "UFO shapes have changed over time," referring to discs, triangles, cigars, etc, they are just spreading another myth because you can find all of the main shapes both recently and throughout history. The only debatable variation of the argument is that details on the UFOs may or may not have changed over time. It's subjective and possibly influenced by technical knowledge the witnesses had in the time period. Human-made aircraft erroneously labeled as UFOs and hoaxes specifically should change over time, but not UFOs in general. Also Kenneth Arnold really did see flying discs as his original drawing

to the Army clearly shows, not 9 crescents.

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iSWINE

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I've always took that the "changing" of UFO descriptions came from our further understanding of technology at the current peak, not from the UFOs matching our current technological understanding to "stay hidden etc"

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ZakTSK

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3y ago

Obviously the aliens are capitalists and get new ships over time.

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u/Powerful-Row-558 avatar
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Watch "Only Real UFOs" on YouTube. I've seen one on there that changes shape in real time

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I have a couple of shape changing UFO videos. They're pretty strange. I initially tried to interpret them as balloons, possibly rotating or something, but if you follow it closely, the explanation doesn't work.

OVNI enviando Senñales Guadalajara Mex 04/07/2014: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xCR8MfLumoc>

UFO Sighting over Yokosuka Japan, uploaded 2012: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_95QB0LeCpA

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Makes me think they are inter dimensional viewing platforms

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https://public.tableau.com/views/UFOsightings-ShapeandSeasonalityAnalysis/UFOsightings?:language=en-US&:display_count=n&:origin=viz_share_link

Here is a Tableau visualization I have created which shows all the historical data of global UFO sightings, including the shapes, time of day, day of week, month of year etc. Cheers

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What are your data sources? I tried to find it on there, but I might be just missing it.

The last person to do this used NUFORC only, and made it seem like UFOs are concentrated in the United States, which I believe I overwhelmingly proved false here:

https://np.reddit.com/r/aliens/comments/13v9fkh/ufo_information_from_other_count_ries_and/

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Stothers, R., 2007: Unidentified flying objects in classical antiquity.

Classical J., 103, 79-92.

A combined historical and scientific approach is applied to ancient reports of what might today be called unidentified flying objects (UFOs). Many conventionally explicable phenomena can be weeded out, leaving a small residue of puzzling reports. These fall neatly into the same categories as modern UFO reports, suggesting that the UFO phenomenon, whatever it may be due to, has not changed much over two millennia.

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A Brief History of Triangular UAPs

Thought I would highlight some of the consistent characteristics from Triangular UAP sightings throughout history. This would explain why some experts believe that these peculiar UAPs could not possibly be explained by military prototypes of alleged stealth tech.

The (5) Observables - For reference.

Positive Lift or Anti-Gravity: The ability to fly without apparent means of propulsion or lift.

Instantaneous Acceleration: The ability for a craft to reach a high rate of speed in a short amount of time.

Hypersonic Velocities: A craft's Ability to reach speeds of 3,700 miles per hour (5x the Speed of Sound).

Low-Observability: A craft's ability to conceal itself from any kind of radar.

Trans-medium Travel: A craft's ability to move seamlessly through space, air and water.

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Collage of Models, Sketches, and CGI renders based on eye witness accounts. In Addition, above is a Collage of Drawings, Sketches, and 3D Models based on several sightings around the world, including the ones listed below.

SIGHTINGS of Alleged Triangular UAPs

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1952.09.13 Denmark, Norway. NATO - Operation Mainbrace Sightings. This is the earliest reported sighting of a triangular shaped UAP.

Observable: Instantaneous Acceleration

The Danish destroyer Willemoes, participating in the (NATO Operation) maneuvers, was north of Bornholm Island. During the night, Lieutenant Commander Schmidt Jensen and several members of the crew saw an unidentified object, triangular in shape, which moved at high speed toward the southeast. The object emitted a bluish glow. Commander Jensen estimated the speed at over 900 mph.

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Observable: Positive Lift or Anti-Gravity

"It had a light on each of its corners. with one corner real bright. This object came up slowly flashing on and off, lighting it up. I called my partner's attention to it. It was fantastic. When it got close it looked like a big Ferris Wheel. All of a sudden it stopped dead. It started to spin, then just like that started to go back. It looked like a spinning wheel. About two or three minutes later, it came back, much brighter than before."—James St. Mary, projectionist at The Capitol Theater.

Note: About a decade later there is record of an Investigation conducted by Project Blue Book on an UFO sighting dated 1967.02.16. same town. The sighting involved "three lights" but Project Blue Book observed that:

It wasn't known where there were three objects or just one. [...] The lights went across the sky at a slow uniform speed. The witness said that the objects were moving too slow to be aircraft.

Project Blue Book's conclusion: Aircraft (Possible).

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1960.09.02 Cromwell, Connecticut, USA. Newspaper Clipping courtesy of u/MKULTRA_Escaper

Observable: Instantaneous Acceleration

"One minute it was hovering over the beach and the next moment it had zoomed up so high, it appeared to be one of the stars." [...] "It was weird. I don't mind telling you my wife was scared." [...] He said, he saw the object go up and off "at a terrific rate of speed."—Richard Ireton

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Unsolved Mysteries: Belgium UFO Wave (1989-1990)

1989.12.01 (or 02) Namur, Belgium. Report by Julien based on eye-witness account.

Observable: Positive Lift or Anti-Gravity + Instantaneous Acceleration

1990.03.31 Brussels, Belgium. This video report contains some of the radar data recorded by the Belgium Air Force. In addition, there was also visual observation by the Belgium police on the ground and military jet pilots in the air.

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1994. over North Illinois, USA. Sketch by eyewitness (Full account of events here).

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1997.04.13 Phoenix, Arizona, USA. There were several enormous alleged UAP seen that night. Among the many sightings one of them matches the descriptions above: 3D-Rendered Video based on eyewitness accounts from the "Phoenix Lights Sighting." Where the alleged UAP was estimated to be around 2500 FT long. That is, humongous.

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2000.01.04. Missouri, USA. MUFON Article shows a model of an alleged Triangular UAP hovering over Missouri shortly before the Highland Sighting in Illinois.

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2000.01.05 Highland, Lebanon, Shiloh, Millstadt and Dupo, Illinois, USA.

[Trajectory Path of alleged UAP]

Observable: Positive Lift or Anti-Gravity

This sighting occurred during the wee hours of the morning, while most people were asleep. Which means there wasn't a lot of traffic in the streets. One of the eyewitnesses was Melvern Noll (who passed away in 2018) but at the time he was 66. At around 4:00 AM, Melvern wheeled his GMC Sonoma pickup into the parking lot of his trucking business, Fun Land of Highland. He described what happened next to the news:

"I happened to look toward the northeast, and seen, like, a bright star and never thought too much about it, just 'That's awful low for being a star.' I looked up and there it was, just like a big house floating in the air, with windows in it and a bright light on the inside, like there might've been a big room in there. [The object was] about the size of a football field. I just could hardly believe my eyes what I was seeing up there. I mean, there was no noise, nothing! And I was looking for wings and couldn't see no wings on it. I thought, 'What in the heck is it?' I just kept watching it, and at one point it seemed like it slowed down and I had the feeling it spotted me down here, and it scared the heck out of me. Then it kept a-going toward the southwest."

Source

Melvorn drove to the police station to report what he had seen, and so the call went on the police radio. Which started buzzing about the bright object in the sky. And thus policemen were dispatched to the area. You can hear some of the actual radio chatter on this Documentary Special. Which features the eye-witness account of some of the officers who came forward.

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Observable: Instantaneous Acceleration

"I was driving Eastbound on Driveway 50. when I see the object. The UFO, if you will. I first thought it was probably a bunch of helicopters flying in some type of formation. [...] I'm freaking out, I'm like: 'What the heck is this?' I docked into the left turn here. And I stopped right about here. I wanted to listen to see if I could hear any kind of engine noise. I could not hear anything. I tried to look again at the UFO. And it had already gone behind these trees. I put it in reverse to back up a couple of seconds. To see if I could re-acquire it again. By the time I had backed up and tried to see it, it had moved, at least a mile away. If not further. That quick! [Snaps Fingers] I was just astonished. I didn't know what to say. I was speechless."

Source.

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Video Footage from Hessladen, Norway. dated Novemver 17th, 2016.

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2015.04.28 Lima, Peru. Alleged Triangular UAP observed hovering by the sea coast.

Last but not least, this Eye-witness account from a Triangular UAP sighting near Carthage, Montana, USA circa 1989. On the subject of Triangular UAP. I recommend listening to this interview with David Marler author of Triangular UFOs: An Estimate of the Situation.

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Also concerning the ufo wave in Belgium, consider this 4 part video series going through the whole wave based on the sobeps book:

https://www.reddit.com/r/UF0s/comments/oe7bip/indepth_coverage_of_the_90_belgian_ufo_wave_8/h44ketm?utm_medium=android_app&utm_source=share&context=3

Also please consider removing the fake photos links or linking to the newest developpements. I also made a reddit post on the history of the henrardi one if it may help, here or on r/ufo

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Awesome. Thanks. 👍

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And thank you for this recap!

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Thank you for the research and thorough post. Syntax 10/10

Well done. Upvoted.

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Thank you. 👍

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u/Hopeful_Tea6367 avatar

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Thank you for compiling All this.

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You're welcome. I think that the phenomenon is best understood when people find similarities and patterns among sightings from different decades. It helps form a bigger picture.

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Erik7494

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That's an interesting overview, thanks for the work.

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Medium_Dimension9602

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Saw one up close in Etna Maine in early 2000s. It was insane

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ColStreetFly

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...and now you have a lot of typing to do. JK but some of us would really be interested in greater details. Where, size, sound, etc

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Medium_Dimension9602

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It was in the early 2000s Etna Maine, a really large flying triangle was just over treetops almost gliding like, my 2 little cousins were outside climbing the tree we looked up saw this thing, ,it was insane! It was silent except an electrical humming sound, lights on all three points and a bigger light in the center, it suddenly shot off at an insane speed and a huge gust of wind came from it's sudden takeoff. The wind almost knocked little Austin out of the tree. It was the craziest thing I have ever seen

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Also have been seen in the Netherlands the triangular ufo.

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Please share your experience if you can. When, where (town/farm/work, etc), size, sound, behavior...

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gautsvo

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There is no need to put an "s" after UAP. The "P" stands for phenomena, which is the plural of phenomenon. ;)

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u/arnfden0 avatar

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Noted. You're right. Thanks for pointing this out. I'll update accordingly. Shit can't change title. Oh well.

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la_mine_de_plomb

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Keeping the final "s" can help to make the meaning of the sentence clearer. It's even more justified if you would pronounce it orally.

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u/MKULTRA_Escapée avatar

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I have a couple more for you.

Here's an example of two newspaper clippings describing a craft basically identical in performance and appearance to one of the craft from the '89-90 Belgian Wave being sighted in 1960, witnessed by an Air Force vet, his family, his neighbors, and a police officer: <https://imgur.com/a/rQcis6a>

If you're on mobile and can't see it too well, this PDF has a high res version of the article "flying triangle seen in state."
<https://storage.googleapis.com/wzukusers/user-17890272/documents/87f71dbd71994701b1ca4161226c96ec/Triangular%20UFOs%20-%20The%20Ongoing%20Historical%20Examination.pdf>

Or for both clippings, also see page 88 here:

http://www.cufos.org/UFO_History_Gross/1960_07_12_History.pdf

Newspaper source: <https://courant.newspapers.com/search/#query=flying+triangle>

This next one is not as good IMO and it may not have been the same type of object because there were no lights.

June 18, 1950:

Silent Triangular craft, Sweetwater, Texas: <https://imgur.com/a/LhgYdG0>

Newspaper source:

<https://texashistory.unt.edu/ark:/67531/metapth283851/m1/14/zoom/?q=triangular%20saucer%20&resolution=4&lat=4463.000000000001&lon=2823.4999999999999>

1979 'Home Plate' sighting:

News segment on massive "baseball home plate-shaped craft" flying around in Bridgewater Mass., spring of 1979, witnessed by two reporters and a number of other people in the area: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aRe4SqCyulc>

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Thank you so much. Let me look into these and I may add them into the post. 😊

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I saw a triangle craft years ago, super low, super quiet, scary. But I assume it was a TR-3B Or F1-17 . It was dusk so it was difficult to see exactly what it was, but it was huge . I live in the UK but there is an American Air Force base about 30 miles away, it's heavily protected / crazy security.

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Thank you for sharing

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I read a book that was fiction. In the book, all of these triangles are USAF black program aircraft. The TR-3B is the one you're most used to. The TR-6 TELOS is the massive, 1500 foot wide delta wing. It was shown over Phoenix in 96 and they learned a lot about the public. The TR-6 has dynamic, multifaceted, active camouflage. Most of these are absolutely 100% US black program air/space craft, and have made up the real US space since Apollo was "canceled". The Americans realized they were losing to the Soviets and simply stopped fucking telling everyone about what they were doing. WAY too many people in America were making decisions, and money and time was getting flushed down the fucking toilet. So Americans got smart and hid behind what was already there, waste, they just stopped wasting. The public no longer got to have a say right around the time the real advanced shit started coming out. Secret fleets and billions of smacks. JFK was gonna blow the lid on it so they blew the lid on JFK. American citizens LOVE thinking they're smarter than government, and nothing tickles their ass like being able to complain to each other "gosh darn it, the darn government keeps just wasting dollars, them washington boys sure are corrupt!" and everyone nods and drinks their fucking beers. Guess what dummies, your government knows that and is hiding the absolute COOLEST shit behind it. So NASA, this BS they're doing now with billionaires playing spaceman on their old-Model-T ass planes, all that just kept everyone looking too hard at just how did this secret space fleet get paid for. That was all in the fiction book I read I think it was called Harry Potter. None of this is true it's part of a Harry Potter book. UFOs have been debunked!

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just to be complete concerning the belgium triangular photos: the petit-rechain one has been admitted hoaxed later (2011, https://fr.wikipedia.org/wiki/Photographie_de_Petit-Rechain). The henrardi one was posted anonymously on an american site much later (2003 on iwasabducted.com,

https://groups.google.com/g/francom.ovni/c/RQt_4AgLRqs/m/0kSR0Epckw8J).

Both of them should be considered with the amount of skepticism you see fit.

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General Wilfried De Brouwer showed this photo in several press conferences including the Citizen Hearings in Washington Dc when he gave his testimony. He showed the photo to be legit. That's why incorporated it into the article.

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i know, but that was before 2011. It has been seriously studied as well, in university of liege and nasa if i remember correctly. The hoax did not help for the credibility of the topic and for encouraging investigation by scientists.

edit: the washington event was in 2007 <https://youtu.be/5Z0omiQm028?list=PL22F696F76494F2D9&t=375>

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'Fast Movers' and Transmedium Vehicles – The Pentagon's Unidentified Aerial Phenomena Task Force

Tim McMillan · December 2, 2020

In an exclusive feature for The Debrief, U.S. military and intelligence officials, as well as Pentagon emails, offer an unprecedented glimpse behind the scenes of what's currently going on with The Pentagon's investigation into UFOs, or as they term them, "Unidentified Aerial Phenomena" (UAP).

For the last two years, the Department of Defense's newly revamped "Unidentified Aerial Phenomena Task Force" (or UAPTF) has been busy briefing lawmakers, Intelligence Community stakeholders, and the highest levels of the U.S. military on encounters with what they say are mysterious airborne objects that defy conventional explanations.

Along with classified briefings, multiple senior U.S. officials with direct knowledge of the matter say two classified intelligence reports on UAP have been widely distributed to the U.S. intelligence community. Numerous sources from various government agencies told The Debrief that these reports include clear photographic evidence of UAP. The reports also explicitly state that the task force is considering the possibility that these unidentified objects could, as stated by one source from the U.S. intelligence community, be operated by "intelligences of unknown origin."

Significantly, a retired U.S. Air Force brigadier general and head of RAND corporation's Space Enterprise Initiative has – for the first time – gone on record to discuss some of the most likely explanations for UAP. His responses were surprising.

US Navy

U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist Seaman Hillary Becke
Briefings At The Highest Levels

In June, the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence's FY2021 Intelligence Authorization Act contained an intriguing section titled "Advanced Aerial Threats." In its inclusion, the committee gave an eye-opening official hint that the government has taken UFOs seriously in recent history by offering its support for the "efforts of the Unidentified Aerial Phenomenon Task Force at the Office of Naval Intelligence." The Intelligence Committee additionally requested an unclassified report detailing the analysis of "UAP" or "Anomalous Aerial Vehicles."

Though already acknowledged by the Intelligence Committee, the Pentagon formally acknowledged in mid-August that they had established a task force looking into UAP. In a press announcement, the Office of the Secretary of Defense stated, "the UAPTF's mission will be to detect, analyze and catalog UAPs that could potentially pose a threat to U.S. national security." According to the release, authority for the task force was approved by the Department of Defense's (DoD) chief operating officer, Deputy Secretary of Defense David L. Norquist.

The summer news of the establishment of the UAPTF seemingly suggests – for the first time since the shuttering of Project Blue Book, the Air Force's official investigations into UFOs, in 1969 – that the Pentagon is now taking the subject of UFOs seriously.

However, an internal email obtained by The Debrief shows that almost one year before the DoD's announcement, the highest levels of the U.S. military were already being briefed on UAP.

UAP Task Force Briefs the Joint Chiefs of Staff

Copy of the email obtained by The Debrief via FOIA

The email, obtained via Freedom of Information Act request, shows an October 16th, 2019 exchange between then-Vice Chief of Naval Operations, Admiral Robert Burke, and current Vice Chief of Staff for the Air Force, General Stephen "Seve" Wilson.

In the email, Adm. Burke tells Gen. Wilson, "Recommend you take the brief I just received from our Director of Naval Intelligence VADM Matt Kohler, on Unidentified Aerial Phenomena (UAP)." Adm. Burke concludes the email, "SECNAV [Secretary of the Navy] will get the same brief tomorrow at 1000."

The "SECNAV" referenced in Adm. Burke's email was then-Secretary of the Navy, Richard V. Spencer. A little over a month after this UAP briefing, Spencer was fired by then-Secretary of Defense Mark Esper over public disagreements stemming from a series of controversies involving the court-martial of Navy SEAL Eddie Gallagher.

Speaking on background, one U.S. Defense official lamented that a lack of continuity with DoD leadership might have hindered some of the UAPTF's work. Within the past 24 months, there have been four different Secretaries of the Navy and five additional Secretaries of Defense. Vice Admiral Matt Kohler, noted for having provided the briefings, retired after 36 years with the Navy in June of this year.

Vice Adm. Robert Burke

Vice Adm. Robert Burke – U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 3rd Class Charles D. Gaddis IV

Reaching out to several active government officials and individuals who retain their government-issued security clearances, The Debrief learned that last fall was a busy time for the UAPTF. On October 21st, 2019, a briefing on UAP was conducted at the Pentagon for several Senate Armed Services Committee staffers.

Attendees at the meeting told The Debrief that they were provided information on two previous DoD-backed UFO programs: the Advanced Aerospace Weapon System Applications Program (AAWSAP) and the Advanced Aerospace Threat and Identification Program (AATIP). They were also briefed on "highly sensitive categories of UFO investigations." Only two days later on October 23rd, staffers with the Senate Select Intelligence Committee were provided the same information in a meeting on Capitol Hill.

A former private contractor for AAWSAP and AATIP, Dr. Hal Puthoff, told The Debrief though he wasn't present for the October briefings, he had on several occasions in the past two years been asked to make presentations for lawmakers. "I have been invited to brief congressional staffers on the Senate Armed Services Committee on UAP matters in the last couple of years," Puthoff said in an email, "and have done so on more than one occasion." Dr. Puthoff described the staffers during these meetings as being "engaged," providing "positive responses, [and] more details always being requested."

The Pentagon Press Briefing Room

The Pentagon Press Briefing Room seal (Credit: DoD/photo by Lisa Ferdinando)
The Debrief reached out to the office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs and DoD's Executive Services Office and formally requested an interview with someone authorized to speak on the UAP briefings with the Joint Chiefs of Staff. In an email, Senior Strategist and Pentagon spokesperson Susan Gough responded, "To maintain operations security, which includes not disseminating information publicly that may be useful to our adversaries, DOD does not discuss publicly the details of either the observations or the

examination of reported incursions into our training ranges or designated airspace, including those incursions initially designated as UAP - and that includes not discussing the UAPTF publicly, also."

Official public affairs channels indicate the Pentagon is not interested in sharing any more information on the UAP topic. However, several current and former officials with the DoD and individuals working for multiple U.S. intelligence agencies told The Debrief that there was much more going on behind closed doors.

UAP Intelligence Position Reports

Multiple sources confirmed for The Debrief that the UAPTF had issued two classified intelligence position reports, which one individual described as "shocking." Details provided on these reports suggest both a greater degree of Pentagon involvement and that the UAPTF's hunt for unidentified objects isn't confined only to aerial phenomena.

Two officials with the DoD and one from the U.S. intelligence community were willing to provide details on the contents of the classified report. An additional three other U.S. intelligence officials and a federal law enforcement officer confirmed the report's existence but were only willing to provide comments on their distribution. Given the report's classification and their discussion of a "sensitive intelligence matter," the officials we spoke with did so only under strict conditions of anonymity. While The Debrief has agreed not to provide information on sources, identities, and employers, everyone we spoke with works within the U.S. intelligence community and under the authority of the U.S. Director of National Intelligence.

UAP Task Force Provides Intelligence Reports on UAP

Aerial view of the headquarters of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) in Chantilly, Virginia, by Trevor Paglen

One of the intelligence reports, released in early 2019, is said to have provided a general overview of the UAP topic and included details of previous military encounters. According to sources who had read it, the report also contained an unreleased photograph of "aerial phenomena" categorized as "unidentified." [Editor's Note: The original version of this article said the image was captured in 2018. Subsequent information later confirmed the date to be March 2019. See: Pentagon Confirms Leaked UFO Images Are Authentic.]

The Debrief was told the accompanying photo was captured from within the cockpit of an F/A-18 fighter jet with a pilot's personal cell phone. According to three U.S. officials who had seen it, the photo showed an unidentified silver "cube-shaped" object. The report is said to have indicated the object was "hovering" or completely motionless when military pilots encountered it. All three officials agreed that based on the photo, the object appeared to be at an altitude of roughly 30,000 to 35,000 feet and approximately 1,000 feet from the fighter jet.

Defense and intelligence officials willing to discuss the report and those who only wished to confirm its dissemination all expressed shock that it had been so widely distributed amongst the intelligence community.

"In decades with the [Intelligence Community] I've never seen anything like this," said one intelligence official.

One defense official described the report's distribution as having gone through "normal, non-public, information sharing channels." Other officials who'd seen and read the report either declined to elaborate or indicated the report was distributed on various secure systems. One defense official indicated it was distributed on the DoD's Secret Internet Protocol Router Network (SIPRNet). Two other intelligence officials said they received the information via NSANet (the

NSA's official intranet). An additional source said the report was distributed via the CIA's Intelink system.

According to those willing to discuss the document, the report's most disconcerting aspect was one of the potential explanations provided for what UAP could represent. Sources say a "list" of possible prosaic explanations for these mysterious airborne encounters was provided, however the report expressly stated that the potential for UAP to be "alien" or "non-human" technology was of legitimate consideration.

All sources interviewed by The Debrief confirmed that the task force issued an updated second UAP position report later in the summer of this year. Like the first, officials say this recent intelligence report was very widely distributed and shared amongst the intelligence community.

"It went viral," said one intelligence official who had read the report.

UAPT Task Force Triangle UAP

Artist Rendition (Dave Beaty/ The Debrief)

Overwhelmingly, everyone The Debrief spoke with said the most striking feature of the recently released UAPTF intelligence position report was the inclusion of a new and "extremely clear" photograph of an unidentifiable triangular aircraft.

The photograph, which is said to have also been taken from inside the cockpit of a military fighter jet, depicted an apparent aerospace vehicle described as a large equilateral triangle with rounded or "blunted" edges and large, perfectly spherical white "lights" in each corner. Officials who had seen it said the image was captured in 2019 by an F/A-18 fighter pilot.

Two officials that received the report said the photo was taken after the triangular craft emerged from the ocean and began to ascend straight upwards at a 90-degree angle. It was indicated that this event occurred off the eastern coast of the United States. Several other sources confirmed the photo's existence; however, they declined to provide any further specifics of the incident.

Officials who read the recent report say it primarily focused on "Unidentified Submersible Phenomena," or unidentified "transmedium" vehicles capable of operating both underwater and in the air.

The three officials we spoke with said the report suggested the UAP Task Force appears to be concerned that the objects being termed as UAP may be originating from within the world's oceans. Strange as this may sound, the idea of "USOs," or "unidentified submersible objects," is not something exclusive to the current UAPTF.

In various public appearances, astronomer and chief video/image analyst for the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON), Marc D'Antonio, has shared an unusual experience involving the detection of an underwater "Fast Mover," which occurred while he was sailing as a civilian aboard one of the U.S. Navy's prized attack submarines.

Last year, defense journalist Tyler Rogoway spoke with several veteran submariners to get their take on D'Antonio's account. While at least one person expressed skepticism about D'Antonio being granted a civilian ride-along, the Navy vets being interviewed almost unanimously acknowledged that unexplained, very high-speed sonar targets are indeed recorded by some of the most sophisticated listening equipment on the planet.

Agreeing to speak only on background, a senior member of the intelligence community whose responsibilities for decades involved underwater surveillance and reconnaissance programs told The Debrief there was validity to claims of extremely fast-moving underwater objects being detected by U.S. military systems.

"On occasion, there are detections made of non-cavitational, extremely fast-moving objects within the ocean." The intelligence official declined to elaborate further, citing the high levels of security classification associated with underwater reconnaissance.

Officials who had read the reports say the UAPTF appears particularly interested in "transmedium vehicles." While this may seem unusual, many accounts exist – some going back centuries – in which people say they have observed unidentifiable craft operating in and out of the water.

The Debrief reached out to Steven Zaloga, co-author of the annual World Military Unmanned Aerial Systems Market Profile & Forecast and senior defense analyst for the Teal Group in Virginia, about the state of current or near-future development of "transmedium" vehicles or systems. Zaloga indicated he was unaware of any past or present technologies that are close to being capable of transitioning between air and submersible travel. "I have no idea what-so-ever on objects able to cross the air/water barrier," Zaloga said in an email.

Artist Rendition (Dave Beaty/ The Debrief)

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What is The Pentagon Officially Saying ABOUT UAP?

Although The Debrief learned of the issuance and information reportedly detailed in the two UAPTF intelligence position reports, officials we spoke with declined to provide any specifics as to why the most recent report focused on waterborne associations with UAP.

One active defense official familiar with the current UAP investigations said the UAPTF has a wealth of photographic evidence, collected from military pilots' personal devices as well as sophisticated DoD surveillance and reconnaissance platforms. The source also told us some of the best evidence the UAPTF has acquired comes from measurement and signature intelligence (MASINT), rather than from videos or still images.

Although officials we spoke with didn't provide any specifics to this point, it is assumed that any Top Secret or Sensitive Compartmentalized Information used to help form the UAPTF's current opinions would not have been included in the UAP position reports, based on their widespread distribution.

Before publication, The Debrief reached out to The Pentagon for comment on the information leaked from the UAPTF reports. Pentagon spokesperson Susan Gough did not confirm or deny the existence of the UAP intelligence reports and declined to make any comment on their contents. We followed up and requested the current media posture outlined by the official public affairs guide for UAP and dictated by Department of Defense policy (DoDI 5405.03). Ms. Gough referred back to her previous statement, indicating that the DoD does not discuss UAP publicly. As noted elsewhere, refusal by the Pentagon to discuss UAP is hardly anything new.

In 2017, then-Assistant Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs Dana White confirmed to Politico that the DoD had studied UFOs under AATIP. Additionally, White said the program had been run by the former Director for the National Programs Special Management Staff for the Office of the Undersecretary of Defense for Intelligence, Luis Elizondo. In an effort to "correct the record," however, the Pentagon issued a statement in December 2019 saying AATIP was not UAP-related, and that Elizondo had "no responsibilities" in the program.

In May of this year, The Debrief informed the Pentagon Public Affairs Office that we had conducted a number of interviews with former senior Pentagon officials and a senior White House advisor, as well as obtained documents, all

of which showed AATIP was involved in UAP investigations and that Luis Elizondo was indeed the custodian of the AATIP portfolio. Additionally, information obtained showed elements of the Defense Intelligence Agency and National Reconnaissance Office had participated in AATIP.

Though this request was less than six months after the Pentagon's "no responsibilities" statement, their spokeswoman Gough replied, "Please keep in mind he [Elizondo] left DoD over three years ago, and there are personnel and privacy matters involved."

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See Also

Remembering Tunguska: A Mystery Explosion that Baffles The CIA Over a Century Later

Given the recent presidential election results and impending transfer of executive power, The Debrief reached out to the transition team for President-Elect Joe Biden. While not explicitly discussing UAP, a transition team spokesperson said Biden intends to "[i]mmediately return to daily press briefings at the White House, U.S. Department of State, and U.S. Department of Defense. Our foreign policy relies on the informed consent of the American people. That is not possible when our government refuses to communicate with the public."

[Editor's Note, April 10, 2021: After additional photos, briefing slides, and a video depicting purported UAP were leaked in April 2021, The Pentagon confirmed the images were captured by U.S. Navy personnel and the materials were used in part of the investigations by the UAP Task Force. See: Pentagon Confirms Leaked UFO Images Are Authentic.]

U.S. Navy photo/Petty Officer 2nd Class James R. Evans.

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What Does It All Mean?

From closed-door meetings to senior military leadership and the issuance of classified intelligence reports, all indications suggest the DoD is indeed taking the UAP issue seriously. What new information has come to light about the government's UAP investigations provides us with few answers, however, and certainly raises a number of questions.

Classification has long surrounded the U.S. government's most sophisticated airborne platforms, however when it comes to underwater systems, the extremity of official secrecy falls into a class by itself. For instance, retired Navy Admiral Bobby Ray Inman acknowledged decades ago that he served as director for the National Underwater Reconnaissance Office (NURO); yet despite this, to date the government denies that the NURO even exists.

Even if the Senate Select Intelligence Committee's request for an unclassified UAP report ends up being enacted in the FY2021 Intelligence Act, legislative experts have pointed out that the UAP report provision is not binding law. In essence, there's no guarantee the public will be provided any comprehensive information on UAP. While Congress is required to have access to classified information, only the executive branch has the authority to declassify national security information in order to make it public.

Should the DoD become more willing to discuss UAP publicly, there are plenty of indications that it might be a disappointment compared to many of the popular myths and narratives intertwined with the UFO subject over the last 70 years.

Every source The Debrief spoke with who had either seen the published position reports or was familiar with the activities of the UAPTF said that no concise estimate of the situation for UAP has been achieved. While they acknowledged

that many hypotheses are being explored, the U.S. government presently lacks any definite explanation for UAP-related events.

Focusing on the DoD's statements that the mission of the UAPTF is to "detect, analyze and catalog UAPs that could potentially pose a threat to U.S. national security," The Debrief spoke with retired U.S. Air Force Brigadier General Bruce McClintock.

UAP Task Force Issues Two Intelligence Reports on UAP

Official Photo – Brig Gen Bruce McClintock (U.S. Air Force Photo by Michael Pausic)

During his 30-year career with the Air Force, McClintock's assignments included White House Fellow to President George W. Bush, Executive Assistant to the Commander of NORAD, Executive Assistant to the Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Special Assistant to the Commander of Air Force Space Command. Before retiring in 2017, Gen. McClintock amassed more than 3,000 flight hours on more than 35 aircraft, including the A-10, F-15B/D, F-16A/B/C/D, and the F-111. Presently, Gen. McClintock heads up the RAND corporation's Space Enterprise Initiative and serves as the focal point for all RAND space-related research for the U.S. government and U.S. allies.

McClintock was dismissive of the idea that U.S. military encounters with UAP could be related to any form of classified aerospace testing.

"It is unlikely that the U.S. government would intentionally conduct tests against its own unwitting military assets," he told The Debrief in an interview. "To do so would require a very high level of coordination and approval for the potential safety and operational security risks."

In separate interviews last year, aerospace engineer and Area 51 veteran T.D. Barnes and former CIA executive S. Eugene "Gene" Poteat both suggested radar detections by the Navy of extreme aerial maneuvers sounded suspiciously similar to a top-secret electronic warfare program they were involved with in the 1960s, codenamed PALLADIUM.

However, Poteat and Barnes acknowledged they had no explanation for any of the physical sightings by military aviators. Coinciding with Gen. McClintock's comments, both men said everyone involved in any classified assessments involving the use of classified aerospace platforms was made aware they were participating in a test. This even included times when the platforms were deemed "UFOs because they were so secret that they didn't exist."

McClintock, who also served as Senior Defense Attaché to the U.S. Embassy in Moscow, seemed equally doubtful that UAP might represent the technology of a foreign adversary.

"It is not outside the realm of the plausible that an adversary would test the ability of the United States to detect some new capability, although it would be more likely they would only do this after testing the capability within or closer to their own territory before trying to penetrate U.S. airspace," he stated.

Ultimately, after asking numerous current and former defense officials and subject matter experts, The Debrief has been unable to find anyone of authority – whether on or off the record – willing to say the UAP encounters reported by military aviators are consistent with black budget testing, or "ferreting" of U.S. air defense by foreign governments. Equally, we have been unable to find anyone of credentialed background willing to say what, exactly, this means the source of these UAP could be.

Offering the Pentagon one final opportunity to discuss what we intended to report or to comment on McClintock's statement, The Debrief once more reached out to spokeswoman Susan Gough. Our offer went unanswered.

At least from an official position, the source behind unidentified aerial phenomena appears to remain a mystery.

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Correction: December 3, 2020: An earlier version of this article inaccurately indicated Dr. Hal Puthoff had provided meetings for Congressional staffers on October 21 and 23 of 2019. Dr. Puthoff contacted The Debrief after publication to clarify that, while he had briefed staffers for principle elected leadership on numerous occasions, there was a miscommunication in his previous statements to us regarding the specific briefings mentioned. As reported by the New York Times in July of this year, the briefings that occurred on October 21st and 23rd of 2019 were provided by Dr. Eric Davis.

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UFO crash, Cadotte, USA 1864:

A very interesting potential UFO crash story, showing how such a case has been described using the language, cultural behavior and scientific knowledge of year 1864. Of course there were no "secret aircraft" or "falling Russian satellite" to explain the event at the at the time.

The article
Newspaper: The Cincinnati Commercial.

Date: October 30, 1865.

Original article from the St. Louis Democrat, October 19, 1865.

A Strange Story

- A Messenger from the Celestial Regions
- A Stone Falls to the Ground with Characters Engraved Upon It
Mr. James Lumley, an old Rocky Mountain trapper, who has been stopping at the Everett House for several days, makes a most remarkable statement to us, and one, which if authenticated, will produce the greatest excitement in the scientific world.

Mr. Lumley states that about the middle of last September, he was engaged in trapping in the mountains, about seventy-five or one hundred miles above the great falls of the Upper Missouri, and in the neighborhood of what is known as Cadotte Pass. Just after sunset one evening he beheld a bright, luminous body in the heavens, which was moving with a great rapidity in an easterly direction. It was plainly visible for at least five seconds, when it suddenly separated into particles, resembling, as Mr. Lumley described it, the bursting of a skyrocket in the air. A few minutes later he heard a heavy explosion, which jarred the earth very perceptibly, and this was shortly after followed by a rumbling sound, like a tornado sweeping through the forest. A strong wind sprang up about the same time, but as suddenly subsided. The air was also filled with a peculiar odor of a sulphurous character.

These incidents would have made but slight impression on the mind of Mr. Lumley, but for the fact that on the ensuing day he discovered, at a distance of about two miles from his camping place, that, as far as he could see in either direction, a path had been cut through the forest, several rods wide - giant trees uprooted or broken off near the ground - the tops of hills shaved off, and the earth plowed up in many places. Great and wide-spread havoc was every-where visible. Following up this track of desolation, he soon ascertained the cause of it in the shape of an immense stone that had been driven into the side of a mountain. But now comes the most remarkable part of the story. An examination of this stone, or so much of it as was visible, showed that it had been divided into compartments, and that, in various places, it was carved with curious hieroglyphics. More than this, Mr. Lumley also discovered fragments of a substance resembling glass, and here and there dark stains, as though caused by a liquid. He is confident that the hieroglyphics were the work of human hands, and that the stone itself, although but a fragment of an immense body, must have been used for some purpose by animated beings.

Strange as this story appears, Mr. Lumley relates it with so much sincerity that we are forced to accept it as true. It was evident that the stone which he discovered was a fragment of the meteor which was visible in this section in September last. It will be remembered that it was seen in Leavenworth, in Galena, and in this city by Colonel Bonneville. At Leavenworth, it was seen to separate in particles or explode.

Cadotte crash inaccuracies:
"Scott", on February 19, 2002, writes to me about the case:

Subject: Cadotte Pass crash inaccuracies.
Date: Mar, 19 Feb 2002
From: ()

Did a search on Cadotte Pass Crash in google.com. Sure, Rocky Mountain fur trappers told "tall tales" about mountains of glass and hair-raising escapes from wild animals and hostiles, but not of compartmented charred "stones" with hieroglyphics falling out of the sky. This article is up there on my believability scale, however:

Disheartening to note that the actual article has been so frequently interpreted by buffs as stating that this trapper saw the site in Missouri in 1865. On first scanning it, the following struck me right off:

What could have been left for a Rocky Mountain fur trapper to trap in Missouri by the end of the Civil War? (Most of the Rockies themselves were trapped out decades before that, never mind places as far east as Missouri.) Might as well trap the Charles River, in Boston.

"The upper Missouri" is a river is located in western Montana (with many once trapable tributaries such as [I later discovered] the Blackfoot River and Cadotte Creek). See mapquest.com (Cadotte MT) or at least check out <http://www.uppermissouri.com/>

But even assuming the vaguest knowledge of geography, how could Lumley get down to Saint Louis so fast if the sighting was in mid-September 1865 and the article was in mid-October, take a charter flight? Nope, pardner. Only way out of that area was by canoe, and they just didn't go that fast. Probably 1864 at the latest that the crash occurred. Reporter misinterpreted, or was doing the usual media bullshit, trying to tie the story into the local scene.

I'd hate to think that, because of this, people were crawling through the bushes in northern Missouri looking for a crashed ship, when the whole time it's been stuck in the side of a, probably, quite locatable mountain up near the Blackfoot River in the Lincoln State Park in Montana. Probably the men in black buckskins have gotten to it by now, though... while excitable but undiscerning UFO buffs were missing the pirogue.

But... maybe it's still there. Stranger things have happened.

S:B

On 2/19/2002 I answered:

Scott:

Thank you a lot for the research. The result will be in my page.

Best regards
Patrick Gross

Not much research, just a careful reading of the article, a childhood interest in mountain men and American western history, and a google search on Cadotte Pass, and "Cadotte Pass crash."

I like your site, keep up the nice work.

--Scott

More Cadotte Pass information:
Chris [-] wrote on April 28, 2007:

In response to your page:

<http://ufology.patrickgross.org/htm/cadotte64.htm>

I live in Montana and have been on Cadotte Pass and Cadotte creek many, many

times.

I would like to comment on the response from the gentleman "()"

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> Missouri by the end of the Civil War? (Most of the Rockies themselves were
> trapped out decades before that, never mind places as far east as
> Missouri.) Might as well trap the Charles River, in Boston.

I am not an expert on state history so I will quote from this web site:

<http://www.metnet.state.mt.us/teachmthistory>

"Fur trappers arrived in Montana hard on the heels of Lewis and Clark (1804-06). Although they tramped all of the state's watersheds, there were only about 150 of them in Montana at any given time. They explored, hunted, trapped, and traded on the Montana stage into the 1860s."

The area is still a rugged, remote part of the state. To think that trappers were there in that time period is quite likely.

> III But even assuming the vaguest knowledge of geography, how could Lumley
> get down to Saint Louis so fast if the sighting was in mid-September 1865
> and the article was in mid-October, take a charter flight?

Reread the article: "Mr. Lumley states that about the middle of last September..." That is one year later. Even if it had not been a year after the event this was about the time the gold rush hit Montana and steamboat travel to the center of the state (Ft Benton) started becoming regular and quick (for the time period.)

I think Mr Lumley's account can't be trashed based on the previous author's comments. Knowing the area (I grew up there!) I would also like to point out the high quantity of UFO and cattle mutilations in that general part of the state. There are many, many accounts. Great Falls, MT is only about 70 miles from Cadotte Pass. Many UFOs were reported in the Great Falls area even before Malmstrom AFB was built.

Cheers,
Chris

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THREE STRANGE VISITORS

Who Possibly Came from the Planet Mars

Seen on a Country Road by Colonel H.G. Shaw and a Companion

They Boarded the Airship

For more than a week the papers all over the coast have been reporting the presence of an alleged airship or flying machine, which many reputable people claim to have seen on several occasions in the heavens at night. Whether or not there really is such a contrivance navigating the air the Mail is unable to

satisfactorily determine, but some of the papers have taken the matter seriously and others have been disposed to make light of the statements. A couple of San Francisco attorneys have secured a lot of free advertising by claiming to have clients who have invented and tested successful flying ships, and the newspapers have filled several columns talking about the aerial mystery.

The Mail makes the above statement merely by way of preface to a most remarkable story which is related by Colonel H.G. Shaw of this city, formerly of the Mail editorial staff. Colonel Shaw is at present engaged in collecting an exhibit for the Stockton Commercial Association to be displayed at the Citrus Fair which will be held in Fresno during the coming month. The gentleman was very reticent about relating the circumstance, as he said he had no idea that it would be believed by anyone, and he was loath to appear before the public as a romancer or as a man who had looked upon shoe-string when it was red. He tells the story as follows:

THREE STRANGE BEINGS

"Were it not for the fact that I was not alone when I witnessed the strange sight I would never have mentioned it at all. Wednesday afternoon I went out to Lodi and Lockeford in company with Camille Spooner, a young man recently arrived from Nevada. I went to the places mentioned in quest of material to form an exhibit to represent this county at the Fresno Citrus Fair. We left Lodi on the return trip, I should judge, shortly before 6 o'clock, and we were jogging along quietly when the horse stopped suddenly and gave a snort of terror."

"Looking up we beheld three strange beings. They resembled humans in many respects, but still they were not like anything I had ever seen. They were nearly or quite seven feet high and very slender. We were both somewhat startled, as you may readily imagine, and the first impulse was to drive on. The horse, however, refused to budge, and when we saw that we were being regarded more with an air of curiosity than anything else, we concluded to get out and investigate. I walked up to where the strange looking persons were and addressed them. I asked where they were from. They seemed not to understand me, but began - well, "warbling" expresses it better than talking. Their remarks, if such you would call them, were addressed to each other, and sounded like a monotonous chant, inclined to be guttural. I saw it was no use to attempt a conversation, so I satisfied myself with watching and examining them. They seemed to take great interest in ourselves, the horse and buggy, and scrutinized everything very carefully."

WEIGHED LESS THAN AN OUNCE EACH

"While they were thus engaged I was enabled to inspect them as well. As I have already stated, they were seven feet in height and very slender. I noticed, further, that their hands were quite small and delicate, and that their fingers were without nails. Their feet, however, were nearly twice as long as those of an ordinary man, though they were narrow, and the toes were also long and slender. I noticed, too, that they were able to use their feet and toes much the same as a monkey; in fact, they appeared to have much better use of their feet than their hands. I presently discovered that this was probably a provision of nature. As one of them came close to me I reached out to touch him, and placing my hand under his elbow pressed gently upward, and lo and behold I lifted him from the ground with scarcely an effort. I should judge that the specific gravity of the creature was less than an ounce. It was then that I observed him try to grasp the earth with his toes to prevent my lifting him. You can readily understand that their slight weight made such a provision necessary, or they might be blown away."

"They were without any sort of clothing, but were covered with a natural growth hard to describe; it was not hair, neither was it like feathers, but it was as soft as silk to the touch, and their skin was like velvet. Their faces and heads were without hair, the ears were very small, and the nose had the appearance of polished ivory, while the eyes were large and lustrous. The mouth, however, was small, and it seemed to me that they were without teeth. That and other things led me to believe that they neither ate nor drank, and that life was sustained

by some sort of gas. Each of them had swung under the left arm a bag to which was attached a nozzle, and every little while one or the other would place the nozzle on his mouth, at which time I heard a sound of escaping gas. It was much the same sound as is produced by a person blowing up a football."

OF INDESCRIBABLE BEAUTY

"From the description I give I do not want you to get the idea that these creatures were hideous. In appearance they were markedly the contrary. They were possessed of a strange and indescribable beauty. I can express myself in no other way. They were graceful to a degree, and more divinely beautiful than anything I ever beheld."

"The strangest part of the story is yet to come. It is the lights they carried. Each held to his hand something about the size of a hen's egg. Upon holding them up and partly opening the hand, these substances emitted the most remarkable, intense and penetrating light one can imagine. Notwithstanding its intensity it had no unpleasant effect upon our eyes, and we found we could gaze directly at it. It seemed to me to be some sort of luminous mineral, though they had complete control of it."

"Finally they became tired of examining us and our horse and buggy, and then one of them, at a signal from one who appeared to be the leader, attempted to lift me, probably with the intention of carrying me away. Although I made not the slightest resistance he could not move me, and finally the three of them tried it without the slightest success. They appeared to have no muscular power outside of being able to move their own limbs."

STRANGE AIRSHIP

"Well, after trying in vain to move either of us they turned in the direction of the Woodbridge canal, near which we were, and as they flashed their lights towards the bridge we beheld a startling sight. There, resting in the air about twenty feet above the water, was an immense airship. It was 150 feet in length at least, though probably not over twenty feet in diameter at the widest part. It was pointed at both ends, and outside of a large rudder there was no visible machinery. The three walked rapidly toward the ship, not as you or I walk, but with a swaying motion, their feet only touching the ground at intervals of about fifteen feet. We followed them as rapidly as possible, and reached the bridge as they were about to embark. With a little spring they rose to the machine, opened a door in the side, and disappeared within. I do not know of what the affair was built, but just before it started I struck it with a rock and it gave no sound. It went through the air very rapidly and expanded and contracted with a muscular motion, and was soon out of sight."

"I have a theory, which, of course, is only a theory, that those we beheld were inhabitants of Mars, who have been sent to the earth for the purpose of securing one of its inhabitants. I feel safe in asserting that the stories being told by certain San Francisco attorneys are clumsy fakes, and should not be given credence by anyone."

DASHES HERE AND THERE

Some practical jokers sent up a number of hot air balloons last night, as a take-off on the alleged airship. Several people saw the balloons and enjoyed a laugh. [sem1]

Jerome Clark indicates that the Stockton Evening Mail of Stockton, for November 27, 1896, told what could be the first case of abduction. The newspaper says that a certain Shaw ("formerly part of the leading personnel of our newspaper") is currently busy organizing an exhibit for Stockton which will be held in the Fresno fair during the month to come." Clark suspects that perhaps he sought the publicity.

Shaw claimed that he and a companion left Lodi around six o'clock on the 25th of November, 1896, and walked leisurely when the horse stopped suddenly with a

snoar of terror. "Looking up we beheld three strange beings... They were nearly or quite seven feet high and very slender. The beings, which seemed more or less human, appeared friendly and strangely beautiful. Shaw asked where they came. They seemed to not understand, but started to "chirp". Shaw observed closely, noting their small, sensitive hands, without nails and their long feet. When he touched one of them under the shoulder, he discovered that the being was "weighed less than one ounce". Shaw continued:

"They were without any sort of clothing, but were covered with a natural growth hard to describe; it was not hair, neither was it like feathers, but it was as soft as silk to the touch, and their skin was like velvet. Their faces and heads were without hair, the ears were very small, and the nose had the appearance of polished ivory, while the eyes were large and lustrous. The mouth, however, was small, and it seemed to me that they were without teeth. That and other things led me to believe that they neither ate nor drank, and that life was sustained by some sort of gas. Each of them had swung under the left arm a bag to which was attached a nozzle, and every little while one or the other would place the nozzle on his mouth, at which time I heard a sound of escaping gas. It was much the same sound as is produced by a person blowing up a football."

Each of the beings transported a light of the size of an egg which, once opened, revealed "an intense but non unpleasant light." They then attempted, according to Shaw, "to lift me, probably with the intent to take me away," but they did not have the force to move him or his companion. Giving up this attempt, they turned and directed their lights to a nearby bridge. The two men saw an airship of 150 feet hovering nearby. Shaw told: "the three went quickly towards the ship... with a swinging movement, their feet touching only the ground at intervals of approximately 15 feet; with a small jump which made them rise towards the machine, they opened a door in the side, and disappeared inside."

The vessel then flew quickly out of the sight. Shaw finishes his report on the theory that "these were inhabitants of Mars, who were sent towards the Earth in order to seize him or one of its inhabitants." Clark notes that Shaw boldly protests against "the stories told by certain attorneys of San Francisco." These are "clumsy hoaxes" to which "nobody should give credence." [jck1]

"Perhaps even more intriguing is this early report of a "close encounter of the third kind": Two men told the Stockton Evening Mail that they had met three "strange people" on a road near Lodi, California. According to the story, the strange beings were very tall, with small delicate bands, and large, narrow feet. Each creature's head was bald with small ears and a small mouth, yet the eyes were big and lustrous. Instead of clothing, the creatures seemed to be covered with a natural silky growth. Conversation was impossible because the "strange people" could only utter a monotonous, guttural, warbling. Occasionally, one of the unusual beings would breathe deeply from a nozzle attached to a bag slung under an arm and in each band the creatures carried something the size of an egg that gave off an intense light. The weird encounter ended with an attempted kidnap of the two Californians, but failing to overpower the two men, the creatures fled to a cigar-shaped craft hovering nearby, jumped through a hatch, and zoomed away." [lgs1]

In Patrick Huyghes' magazine The Anomalist, Jerome Clark mentions that the first recorded contact with aliens was on November 25, 1896. It "involved a couple of people who were putting together an exhibition for a fair in Fresno, California and they were traveling by horse and carriage towards Stockton, California. It was late afternoon, all of a sudden the horse became terrorized and just froze in its tracks, and the two men looked up and they saw these three tall and very thin figures with small delicate hands. They had no hair, just a soft downy fur on their skin. They had very large eyes and both their mouths and ears were very small. The witnesses described these creatures as something with strange beauty. Curiously they each held a bag with a nozzle which they would put up to their mouths to breathe. They also carried an egg shaped light and they seemed to

communicate with one another in kind of a monotonous chant. The witnesses claimed that these three creatures tried to take them away, but apparently these two humans were too heavy to be carried away by these very lightweight creatures. At one point the creatures turned their lights towards a nearby bridge, [and] when they did so they illuminated a cigar shaped craft hovering above the water. The craft was swaying back and forth, almost drifting off the ground, and the beings returned to this craft. They sprung into the air and floated down to a door on the side of the craft, and the craft just slipped away. The people who saw this thought that the beings had come from Mars. This was one of the first cases where you have strange beings, and strange craft, and people interpreting it as an ET basically." [jck2]

It was in connection with this 1896-1897 wave that the first published story of an abduction by extraterrestrials appeared in the Stockton, California, 'Evening Mail' on November 27, 1896. Two days earlier, Col. H.G. Shaw, a former editor of the newspaper, claimed that he and a friend, Camille Spooner, had encountered three tall, thin beings, 7 feet tall and nude, with small delicate hands and hairless except for a soft downy fur on the skin, as they were traveling near Lodi, California. The creatures had large eyes, but small mouths and ears. They carried bags with nozzles which they held to their mouths as if to breathe, and bright egg-shaped lamps. Shaw tried to converse with them, but the creatures did not understand him and only responded with a warbling, monotonous chant. The aliens tried to grab the two witnesses and drag them toward a nearby cigar-shaped airship, but because each weighed less than an ounce, they lacked the strength and finally retreated. Shaw believed that the creatures had come from Mars. (On 1896 Lodi incident: Patrick Huyghe, 'The Field Guide to Extraterrestrials' [New York: Avon Books, 1996], p. 66, citing Jenny Randles, 'Alien Contacts and Abductions' [New York: Sterling, 1994]; Jerome Clark, "From Mermaids to Little Gray Men: The Prehistory of the UFO Abduction Phenomenon, 'The Anomalist', No. 8, Spring 2000, p. 18) [tcn1]

"Not surprisingly, the airship generated a great deal of advertising material. The promoters of the Fresno citrus fair wanted the inventor to exhibit his craft there. A Sacramento brewer was convinced that the "delegation from beyond the clouds ... came down to sample Ruhstaller's Gilt Edge Steam Beer." And a San Francisco merchant took out one-third of a page to portray Santa Claus as the airship's pilot bringing toys to his department store." [rgi1]

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Notes:

Nil.

Explanation:

Only two rational explanation seem possible: either an invented story, or extraterrestrial beings and their apparatus.

Counts:

Type of report: Newspaper report.

Number of witnesses: 2.

Number of named witnesses: 2.

Witnesses occupations: Not indicated.

Type of location: Country road.

Coordinates: Lat. 38.130 N, Long. -121.271 W.

Coordinates precision: 20 kilometers.

Description of "UFO": Cigar shaped, pointed at both ends, with a rudder, 150 feet long, 20 feet of diameter at the largest point, a door, no sound when hit by a stone.

Description of "manoeuvres": Hovering 20 feet above the ground, then flies away fast.

Reactions: Amazement, interest, experiments.

Occupants: Yes, non humans.

Occupants keywords: Aliens, light, large eyes, lightweight, hands, feet, breathing, gas, description.

Communication: Yes, attempted.

Language: Chirpy, monotonous, chant.

Content: Not understood.

Daylight/nocturnal: Daylight.

Weather: Not indicated.

Observation devices: None.

Strangeness: High.

Reliability: Medium.

Explanation(s) at the time: Extraterrestrial beings and craft, from Mars.

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The celestial phenomenon over the German city of Nuremberg on April 14, 1561, as printed in an illustrated news notice in the same month

An April 1561 broadsheet by Hans Glaser described a mass sighting of celestial phenomena or unidentified flying objects (UFO) above Nuremberg (then a Free Imperial City of the Holy Roman Empire). Ufologists have speculated that these phenomena may have been extraterrestrial spacecraft. Skeptics assert that the phenomenon was likely to have been another atmospheric phenomenon, such as a sun dog,[1] although the print does not fit the usual classic description of the phenomena.[2][3]

History

A broadsheet news article printed in April 1561 describes a mass sighting of celestial phenomena. The broadsheet, illustrated with a woodcut and text by Hans Glaser, measures 26.2 centimetres (10.3 in) by 38.0 centimetres (15.0 in). The document is archived in the prints and drawings collection at the Zentralbibliothek Zürich in Zürich, Switzerland.[4]

According to the broadsheet, around dawn on 14 April 1561, "many men and women" of Nuremberg saw what the broadsheet describes as an aerial battle "out of the sun", followed by the appearance of a large black triangular object and exhausted combatant spheres falling to earth in clouds of smoke. The broadsheet claims that witnesses observed hundreds of spheres, cylinders, and other odd-shaped objects that moved erratically overhead. The woodcut illustration depicts objects of various shapes, including crosses (with or without spheres on the arms), small spheres, two large crescents, a black spear, and cylindrical objects from which several small spheres emerged and darted around the sky at dawn.

The broadsheet text

The text of the broadsheet has been translated by Ilse Von Jacobi as follows:

In the morning of April 14, 1561, at daybreak, between 4 and 5 on the small clock[Note 1], a dreadful apparition occurred on the sun, and then this was seen in Nuremberg in the city, before the gates and in the country - by many men and women. At first there appeared in the middle of the sun two blood-red semi-circular arcs, just like the moon in its last quarter. And in the sun, above and below and on both sides, the color was blood, there stood a round ball of partly dull, partly black ferrous color. Likewise there stood on both sides and as a torus about the sun such blood-red ones and other balls in large number, about three in a line and four in a square, also some alone. In between these globes there were visible a few blood-red crosses, between which there were blood-red strips, becoming thicker to the rear and in the front malleable like the rods of reed-grass, which were intermingled, among them two big rods, one on the right, the other to the left, and within the small and big rods there were three, also four and more globes. These all started to fight among themselves, so that the globes, which were first in the sun, flew out to the ones standing on both sides, thereafter, the globes standing outside the sun, in the small and large rods, flew into the sun. Besides the globes flew back and forth among themselves and fought vehemently with each other for over an hour. And when the conflict in and again out of the sun was most intense, they became fatigued to such an extent that they all, as said above, fell from the sun down upon the earth 'as if they all burned' and they then wasted away on the earth with immense smoke. After all this there was something like a black spear, very long and thick, sighted; the shaft pointed to the east, the point pointed west. Whatever such signs mean, God alone knows. Although we have seen, shortly one after another, many kinds of signs on the heaven, which are sent to us by the almighty God, to bring us to repentance, we still are, unfortunately, so ungrateful that we despise such high signs and miracles of God. Or we speak of them with ridicule and discard them to the wind, in order that God may send us a frightening punishment on account of our ungratefulness. After all, the God-fearing will by no means discard these signs, but will take it to heart as a warning of their merciful Father in heaven, will mend their lives and faithfully beg God, that He may avert His wrath, including the well-deserved punishment, on us, so that we may temporarily here and perpetually there, live as his children. For it, may God grant us his help, Amen. By Hanns Glaser, letter-painter of Nurnberg.[5]

Modern interpretations and historical context

Similar Events and Writings

The Vädersol (sun dogs, literally "weather-sun") over Stockholm in 1535, as depicted in the Vädersolstavlan.

Miracle sign above Waldeck Castle near Kemnath/Upper Palatinate [Wikidata], also by Hans Glaser from 1554.

The Plech Sky Spectacular, also in Germany and also in 1554. [6]

The 1566 celestial phenomenon over Basel.
The 1628 Meteorite in Hatford, Oxfordshire. [6]
The 1665 celestial phenomenon over Stralsund.
The Miracle of the Sun in Fátima, Portugal in 1917.
Symbolism

According to author Jason Colavito, the woodcut broadsheet became known in modern culture outside of Germany after being published in Carl Jung's 1958 book *Flying Saucers: A Modern Myth of Things Seen in the Skies*, a book which analyzed the archetypal meanings of UFO sightings.[7] Jung expressed a view that the spectacle was most likely a natural phenomenon interpreted from the perspective of religious and military imagery familiar to Europeans in the 16th century. Still, the purpose of Jung's analysis focused on the symbology of the broadsheet and only judged hypotheses as asides. [8]

Jung expresses that the celestial sighting was likely not organic in origin, for example, stating "If the UFOs were living organisms, one would think of a swarm of insects rising with the sun, not to fight one another but to mate and celebrate the marriage flight." Jung proposes that the images of four globes coupled by lines suggested crossed marriage quaternities and forms the model for "the primitive cross cousin marriage". There is no evidence that this symbol has ever been used in this manner, and Jung may have been invoking more modern genealogical charts as used in kinship anthropology. He also posited that the woodcut may include an individuation symbol and that the association of sunrise suggests "the revelation of the light." [8] This is in line with other interpretations that the woodcut is highly stylized and intended to induce religious admonition in its viewers, not depict the event objectively.

Ufology

In ufology, the broadsheet is repeatedly cited as proof of UFO encounters and evidence of visits by extraterrestrials earlier in human history. Alleged descriptions of numerous witness accounts, interpreted as "violent appearances" and "fighting" are used as reasoning to suggest that UFOs engaged in conflict in the sky, in the literal sense.[9]

Ufologist Jacques Vallée expresses skepticism over the Nuremberg celestial event and other celestial events in 16th century Europe. He reasons that the similarity between this event and other near-identical events implies that this may be a "stock myth" propagated and perhaps commissioned by religious authorities. Vallée interprets the admonitions and apocalyptic thinking in Glaser's prose as evidence that the broadsheet's purpose is that of propaganda. [10]

Historiography

Woodcut art and broadsheet depicting 1566 celestial phenomenon over Basel.
Woodcut art and broadsheet depicting 1566 celestial phenomenon over Basel.
Painting depicting 1535 sun dog over Stockholm.

The Vädersolstavlan, depicting a 1535 sun dog over Stockholm.

Stylized and figurative depictions of likely sun dogs from the 1500s. Despite clear differences in the purposes of these two works, both artists interpreted the events religiously.

Skeptic and historian Ulrich Magin questions the supposed purpose of the woodcut art as a valid and objective report of the celestial event.[6] For example, there are multiple discrepancies in the artwork itself that Magin interprets as invalidating. Nuremberg Castle is not present in Glaser's woodcut, despite being the defining feature of Nuremberg at that time. The Church of St. Lorenz, Nuremberg is present in the woodcut, despite the fact that the church was burnt down at the time of the celestial sighting.[6]

Magin and other skeptics, such as Wiebke Schwarte, conclude that the purpose of the text was that of popular religiously-themed reading material, more akin to tabloids than to a truthful record of the event. At a time when Nuremberg's literacy rate is estimated to be 30% in males and nearly zero in females, readers at this time may have even been aware that they were not meant to consider the validity of the broadsheet. Sun dogs and related phenomena had been

known since antiquity and painted with geometric accuracy in Europe before Hans Glaser's broadsheet, such as in famous Swedish painting Vadersolstavlan. This stands in stark contrast to the woodcuts and underscores the purpose of Glaser's abstract and mass-produced interpretation.[6][11]

Modern Christian Interpretation

Similar to the celestial event above Nuremberg was the Miracle of the Sun in Portugal in 1917. Stanley L. Jaki was a priest who saw the event and wrote about it after. Jaki held a doctorate in theology as well as a doctorate in physics, where he detailed mathematical models of optical phenomena. Jaki published a markedly interdisciplinary and compromising view of the Miracle of the Sun that explains such phenomena meteorologically in a manner that does not contradict Catholic teachings.

...a sudden temperature inversion must have taken place. The cold and warm air masses could conceivably propel that rotating air lens in an elliptical orbit first toward the earth, and then push it up, as if it were a boomerang, back to its original position. Meanwhile, the ice crystals in it acted as so many means of refraction for the sun's rays... Only one observer, a lawyer, stated three decades later that the path of descent and ascent was elliptical with small circles superimposed on it. Such an observation would make eminent sense to anyone familiar with fluid dynamics or even with the workings of a boomerang. There is indeed plenty of scientific information on hand to approach the miracle of the sun scientifically... The carefully co-ordinated interplay of so many physical factors would by itself be a miracle, even if one does not wish to see anything more in what actually happened. Clearly, the "miracle" of the sun was not a mere meteorological phenomenon, however rare. Otherwise it would have been observed before and after, regardless of the presence of devout crowds or not. I merely claim, which I did in my other writings on miracles, that in producing miracles God often makes use of a natural substratum by greatly enhancing its physical components and their interactions.[12]

—Stanley L. Jaki

Notes

This necessarily refers to canonical hours, placing the time at between 6 and 9 a.m. For reference, daybreak in Nuremberg in April occurs between 6 and 6:30 a.m.

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On June 26, 1947, the Chicago Sun coverage of the story may have been the first use ever of the term "flying saucer".

On June 24, 1947, private pilot Kenneth Arnold saw what he described as a string of nine shiny unidentified flying objects flying past Mount Rainier at speeds that he estimated to be at least 1,200 miles per hour (1,900 km/h).

This was the first post-World War II sighting in the United States that garnered nationwide news coverage and is credited with being the first of the modern era of UFO sightings, including numerous reported sightings over the next two to three weeks. Arnold's description of the objects also led to the press quickly coining the terms flying saucer and flying disc as popular descriptive terms for UFOs.

Sighting

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Locations of Arnold's plane and the sighted objects

The objects arrived from the direction of Mount Baker, then passed in front of Mount Rainier and Mount Adams in the space of 1 min. 42 s. The 47 miles (76 km) distance, if measured peak to peak, suggests a speed of 1,660 mph (2,670 km/h), similar to Arnold's estimate of 1,700 mph (2,700 km/h), which far exceeds that of the record-holding P-80 jets of the time.

On June 24, 1947, Arnold was flying from Chehalis, Washington, to Yakima, Washington, in a CallAir A-2 on a business trip. He made a brief detour after learning of a \$5,000 reward (equivalent to \$70,000 today) for the discovery of a U.S. Marine Corps C-46 transport airplane that had crashed near Mount Rainier.

[1] The skies were completely clear and there was a mild wind.[2]

A few minutes before 3:00 p.m. (15:00) at about 9,200 feet (2,800 m) in altitude and near Mineral, Washington, Arnold had given up his search for the downed airplane and began heading eastward towards Yakima, when he noticed a bright flashing light, similar to sunlight reflecting from a mirror. Worried that he might be dangerously close to another aircraft, Arnold scanned the skies around him but all he could detect was a DC-4 to his left and behind him, about 15 miles (24 km) away, with the assistance of ground radar.[2]

About 30 seconds after seeing the first flash of light, Arnold saw a series of bright flashes in the distance off to his left, or north of Mount Rainier, which was then around 20 to 25 miles (32 to 40 km) away. He thought the reflections might be sunlight on his airplane's windows, but a few quick tests (rocking his airplane from side to side, removing his eyeglasses, later rolling down his side window) ruled this out. The reflections came from nine objects, flying in a long chain. For a moment, Arnold thought that they might be a flock of geese, but quickly ruled this out for a number of reasons, including the altitude, bright glint, and obviously very fast speed. He then thought they might be a new type of jet and started looking intently for wings and other appendages, but was surprised to not see any.[1]

The objects quickly approached Mount Rainier and then passed in front of it, usually appearing darker in profile against the bright white snowfield covering the peak, but occasionally still giving off bright light flashes as they flipped around erratically. Arnold reported at times the objects appeared so thin and flat, they were practically invisible. According to Jerome Clark,[3][4] Arnold described them as a series of objects with convex shapes, though he later revealed that one of the objects differed from the other eight by being crescent-shaped. Several years later, Arnold would state he likened their movement to saucers skipping on water, without comparing their actual shapes to saucers,[5] but initial quotes from him do indeed have him comparing their shape to a "saucer", "disc", "pie pan", or "half moon", or generally convex and thin. [2]

Using a Dzus cowl fastener as a gauge to compare the nine objects to the distant DC-4, Arnold estimated their angular size as slightly smaller than the DC-4, about the width between the outer engines (about 60 ft (18 m)). Arnold also said he realized that the objects would have to be quite large to see any details at that distance and later, after comparing notes with a United Airlines crew that had a similar sighting 10 days later (see below), placed the absolute size as larger than a DC-4 airliner (or greater than 100 feet (30 m) in length). Army Air Force analysts would later estimate 140 to 280 feet (85 m), based on analysis of human visual acuity and other sighting details (such as estimated distance).[6]

Arnold said the objects were grouped together, as Ted Bloecher[7] writes, "in a diagonally stepped-down, echelon formation, stretched out over a distance that he later calculated to be five miles". Though they were moving on a more or less level horizontal plane, Arnold said the objects weaved from side to side ("like the tail of a Chinese kite" as he later stated), darting through the valleys and around the smaller mountain peaks. They would occasionally flip or bank on their edges in unison as they turned or maneuvered causing almost blindingly bright or mirror-like flashes of light. The encounter gave him an "eerie feeling", but Arnold suspected he had seen test flights of a new U.S. military aircraft.[2]

As the objects passed Mount Rainier, Arnold turned his plane southward on a more or less parallel course. It was at this point that he opened his side window and began observing the objects unobstructed by any glass that might have produced reflections. According to Arnold, the objects did not disappear and continued to move very rapidly southward, continuously moving forward of his position. Curious about their speed, he began to time their rate of passage: he said they moved from Mount Rainier to Mount Adams where they faded from view, a distance of around 50 miles (80 km), in one minute and forty-two seconds, according to

the clock on his instrument panel. When he later had time to do the calculation, the speed was over 1,700 miles per hour (2,700 km/h). This was about three times faster than any manned aircraft in 1947. Not knowing exactly the distance where the objects faded from view, Arnold conservatively and arbitrarily rounded this down to 1,200 miles (1,900 km) an hour, still faster than any known aircraft, which had yet to break the sound barrier.

Arnold shares the story

After landing in Yakima, Arnold described what he had seen to a number of pilot friends, who suggested that maybe he had seen guided missiles or a new airplane being secretly developed by the United States Army.[8] Arnold refueled his airplane and continued on his way to an air show in Pendleton, Oregon.[2] He was first interviewed by reporters the next day (June 25), when he went to the office of the East Oregonian in Pendleton.[9] Reporters assessed Arnold as highly-credible when they interviewed him at length;[10] as historian Mike Dash wrote:[11]

Arnold had the makings of a reliable witness. He was a respected businessman and experienced pilot ... and seemed to be neither exaggerating what he had seen, nor adding sensational details to his report. He also gave the impression of being a careful observer ... These details impressed the newspapermen who interviewed him and lent credibility to his report.

Speaking to a reporter for the Associated Press, Arnold told him: "This whole thing has gotten out of hand. I want to talk to the FBI or someone. Half the people look at me as a combination of Einstein, Flash Gordon and screwball. I wonder what my wife back in Idaho thinks." [12]

Corroboration

Eight objects similar to those reported by Arnold photographed over Tulsa, Oklahoma, July 12, 1947 (from Tulsa Daily World)

On July 4, 1947, the Oregon Journal in Portland, Oregon reported receiving a letter from an L. G. Bernier of Richland, Washington (about 110 miles (180 km) east of Mount Adams and 140 miles (230 km) southeast of Mount Rainier). Bernier wrote that he saw three of the strange objects over Richland flying "almost edgewise" toward Mount Rainier about one half-hour before Arnold. Bernier thought the three were part of a larger formation. He indicated they were traveling at high speed: "I have seen a P-38 appear seemingly on one horizon and then gone to the opposite horizon in no time at all, but these disks certainly were traveling faster than any P-38. [Maximum speed of a P-38 was about 440 miles an hour.] No doubt Mr. Arnold saw them just a few minutes or seconds later, according to their speed." [13] The previous day, Bernier had also spoken to his local newspaper, the Richland Washington Villager, and was among the first witnesses to suggest extraterrestrial origins: "I believe it may be a visitor from another planet." [14]

About 60 miles (97 km) west-northwest of Richland in Yakima, Washington, a woman named Ethel Wheelhouse likewise reported sighting several flying discs moving at fantastic speeds at around the same time as Arnold's sighting. [15]

When military intelligence began investigating Arnold's sighting in early July (see below), they found yet another witness from the area. A member of the Washington State forest service, who had been on fire watch at a tower in Diamond Gap, about 20 miles (32 km) south of Yakima, reported seeing "flashes" at 3:00 p.m. on the 24th over Mount Rainier (or exactly the same time as Arnold's sighting), that appeared to move in a straight line. Similarly, at 3:00 p.m. Sidney B. Gallagher in Washington state (exact position unspecified) reported seeing nine shiny discs flash by to the north. [16]

Other Seattle area newspapers also reported other sightings of flashing, rapidly moving unknown objects on the same day, but not the same time, as Arnold's sighting. Most of these sightings were over Seattle or west of Seattle in the town of Bremerton, either that morning or at night. [17]

The primary corroborative sighting, however, occurred ten days later (July 4) when a United Airlines crew over Idaho en route to Seattle also spotted five to nine disk-like objects that paced their plane for 10 to 15 minutes before suddenly disappearing.[18]

Arnold talks of possible non-earthly origins

On July 7, 1947, two stories came out where Arnold raised the topic of possible extraterrestrial origins, both as his opinion and those who had written to him. In an Associated Press story, Arnold said he had received quantities of fan mail eager to help solve the mystery, none of it calling him a "screwball". Many of the writers, like a doomsday preacher Arnold spoke of, placed a religious interpretation on his sighting. But others, he said, "suggested the discs were visitations from another planet." Arnold added he had purchased a movie camera, which he would now take with him on every flight, hoping to obtain photographic proof of what he had seen.[19]

In the other story, Arnold was interviewed by the Chicago Times:[20]

... Kenneth Luis Arnold ... is not so certain that the strange contraptions are made on this planet. Arnold ... said he hoped the devices were really the work of the U.S. Army. But he told the TIMES in a phone conversation: 'If our government knows anything about these devices, the people should be told at once. A lot of people out here are very much disturbed. Some think these things may be from another planet. But they aren't harming anyone and I think it would be the wrong thing to shoot one of them down—even if can be done. Their high speed would completely wreck them ...

Arnold, in pointing to the possibility of these discs being from another world, said, regardless of their origin, they apparently were traveling to some reachable destination. Whoever controlled them, he said, obviously wasn't trying to hurt anyone ... He said discs were making turns so abruptly in rounding peaks that it would have been impossible for human pilots inside to have survived the pressure. So, he too thinks they are controlled from elsewhere, regardless of whether it's from Mars, Venus, or our own planet.

In an Associated Press story from July 19, Arnold reiterated his belief that if they weren't Army, then they were extraterrestrial:[21]

The ex-University of Minnesota swimmer and footballer says he now believes:

The disks are not from any foreign country.

The Army could give the answer if it would - "if they don't have the explanation now they certainly could do something to find out."

If the Army has no explanation the disks must be - "and I know this sounds crazy" - from another planet.

In April 1949, in a skeptical article in the Saturday Evening Post titled "What You Can Believe About Flying Saucers", Arnold was likewise quoted:[22]

Since my first observations and report of the so-called "flying disks" I have spent a great deal of money and time thoroughly investigating the subject ... There is no doubt in my mind but what these objects are aircraft of a strange design, and material that is unknown to the civilization of this earth.

In 1950, broadcaster Edward R. Murrow interviewed Arnold, who stated that since June 1947 he had had three additional sightings of nine spacecraft.[2]

Publicity and origins of term "flying saucer"

Arnold's account was first featured in a few late newspaper editions on June 25, appeared in numerous U.S. and Canadian papers (and some foreign newspapers) on June 26 and thereafter, often on the front page. Without exception, according to Bloecher, the Arnold story was initially related with a serious, even-handed tone. The first reporters to interview Arnold were Nolan Skiff and Bill Bequette of the East Oregonian in Pendleton, Oregon on June 25, and the first story on

the Arnold sighting, written by Bequette, appeared in the newspaper the same day.[23][24]

The term appears

Starting June 26 and June 27, newspapers first began using the terms "flying saucer" and "flying disk" (or "disc") to describe the sighted objects. Thus the Arnold sighting is credited with giving rise to these popular terms. The actual origin of the terms is somewhat complicated. Jerome Clark cites a 1970 study by Herbert Strentz, who reviewed U.S. newspaper accounts of the Arnold UFO sighting, and concluded that the term was probably due to an editor or headline writer: the body of the early Arnold news stories did not use the term "flying saucer" or "flying disc." [25] However, some earlier stories did in fact credit Arnold with using terms such as "saucer", "disk", and "pie-pan" in describing the shape. (see quotations further below)

Bequette interview

Years later, Arnold claimed he told Bill Bequette that "they flew erratic, like a saucer if you skip it across the water." Arnold felt that he had been misquoted since the description referred to the objects' motion rather than their shape.[5] Thus Bequette has often been credited with first using "flying saucer" and supposedly misquoting Arnold, but the term does not appear in Bequette's early articles. Instead, his first article of June 25 says only, "He said he sighted nine saucer-like aircraft flying in formation..."[26]

The next day in a much more detailed article, Bequette wrote, "He clung to his story of shiny, flat objects racing over the Cascade mountains with a peculiar weaving motion 'like the tail of a Chinese kite.' ...He also described the objects as 'saucer-like' and their motion 'like fish flipping in the sun.' ... [Arnold] described the objects as 'flat like a pie-pan and somewhat bat-shaped'." [27] It wasn't until June 28 that Bequette first used the term "flying disc" (but not "flying saucer").

A review of early newspaper stories indicates that immediately after his sighting, Arnold generally described the objects' shape as thin and flat, rounded in the front but chopped in the back and coming to a point, i.e., more or less saucer- or disk-like. He also specifically used terms like "saucer" or "saucer-like", "disk", and "pie pan" or "pie plate" in describing the shape. The motion he generally described as weaving like the tail of a kite and erratic flipping.

For example, in a surviving recorded radio interview from June 26, 1947, made by reporter Ted Smith, United Press correspondent in Pendleton, and aired on KWRC, the local radio station of Pendleton,[28] Arnold described them as looking "something like a pie plate that was cut in half with a sort of a convex triangle in the rear." His motion descriptions were: "I noticed to the left of me a chain which looked to me like the tail of a Chinese kite, kind of weaving... they seemed to flip and flash in the sun, just like a mirror... they seemed to kind of weave in and out right above the mountaintops..."

Military investigation of Arnold story

Kenneth Arnold's report to Army Air Forces (AAF) intelligence, dated July 12, 1947, which includes annotated sketches of the typical craft in the chain of nine objects

The first investigation of Arnold's claims came from Lt. Frank Brown and Capt. William Davidson of Hamilton Field in California, who interviewed Arnold on July 12. Arnold also submitted a written report at that time. Regarding the reliability of Arnold's sighting, they concluded:[29]

It is the present opinion of the interviewer that Mr. Arnold actually saw what he stated he saw. It is difficult to believe that a man of [his] character and apparent integrity would state that he saw objects and write up a report to the extent that he did if he did not see them.

Others were less impressed. First Lt. Hal L. Eustace of the Army Air Corps, in a declassified July 1947 intelligence report, said that Arnold "seems to be reasonably well balanced, although excitable", describing Arnold's report as a case of "silly season episodes".[1]

The Army Air Force's formal public conclusion was that "the objects of this sighting were due to a mirage." [1]

On July 9, AAF intelligence, with help from the FBI, secretly began an investigation of the best sightings, mostly from pilots and military personnel[citation needed]. Arnold's sighting, as well as that of the United Airline's crew, were included in the list of best sightings. Three weeks later they came to the conclusion that the saucer reports were not imaginary or adequately explained by natural phenomena; something real was flying around. [citation needed] This laid the groundwork for another intelligence estimate in September 1947 by Gen. Nathan Twining, commanding officer of the Air Materiel Command, which likewise concluded the saucers were real and urged a formal investigation by multiple government agencies. This in turn resulted in the formation of Project Sign at the end of 1947, the first publicly acknowledged USAF UFO investigation. Project Sign eventually evolved into Project Grudge, and then the better known Project Blue Book.

The personnel of the U.S. Air Force's Project Sign (1947-1949) also later studied Arnold's story. According to Major Edward J. Ruppelt,[30]

I found that there was a lot of speculation on this report [amongst Sign personnel]. Two factions ... joined up behind two lines of reasoning. One side said that Arnold had seen plain, everyday jet airplanes flying in formation ... The other side didn't buy this idea at all. They based their argument on the fact that Arnold knew where the objects were when he timed them ...

There was an old theory that maybe Arnold had seen wind whipping snow along the mountain ridges, so I asked Air Force investigators about this. I got a flat "Impossible."

Widespread UFO reports after Arnold sighting

Main article: 1947 flying disc craze

In the weeks that followed Arnold's June 1947 story, at least several hundred reports of similar sightings flooded in from the U.S. and around the world—most of which described saucer-shaped objects.[31]

Skeptical explanations

In an article published in The Minneapolis Star two days after the sighting, officials at McChord Army Air Field, about 75 air miles from the mid-point of the peaks of Mount Rainier and Mount Adams, "theorized that the only planes coming near the description are the fast P-80s." [32] The officials at McChord added that March Field, California was the closest airfield with P-80s based on it. March Field was about 600 air miles (about an hour's journey in a P-80) from the midpoint of the peaks of Mount Rainier and Mount Adams.[33]

The commander of the White Sands Proving Ground in New Mexico, Lieutenant Colonel Harry R. Turner, also told reporters that Arnold's sighting was consistent with the appearance of jet airplanes.[34] When police officers and others in Portland, Oregon reported "flying disks" on the Fourth of July, Army officials responded "by pointing out that 24 P-80 fighters and six bombers flew over the city about the time the 'discs' were reported." [35]

Steuart Campbell has said that the objects Arnold reported could have been mirages of several snow-capped peaks in the Cascade Range. Campbell's calculation of the objects' speed determined that they were travelling at roughly the same speed as Arnold's plane, indicating that the objects were in fact stationary. Mirages could have been caused by temperature inversions over several deep valleys in the line of sight.[36]

Philip J. Klass[37] cited an article by Keay Davidson of the San Francisco Examiner in arguing that Arnold might have misidentified meteors on June 24, 1947.

James Easton[38] was one of several skeptics to suggest that Arnold may have misidentified American white pelicans: the birds live in the Washington region, are rather large (wingspans of over 9.8 ft (3 m) are not uncommon), have a pale underside that can reflect light, can fly at rather high altitudes, and can appear to have a somewhat crescent-shaped profile when flying.

Donald Menzel's explanations

Donald Menzel was a Harvard astronomer and one of the earliest UFO debunkers. Over the years, he offered several possible explanations for Arnold's 1947 UFO sighting.[39]

In 1953, Menzel suggested that Arnold had seen clouds of snow blown from the mountains south of Mount Rainier.

In 1963, Menzel proposed that Arnold had seen orographic clouds or wave clouds.

In 1971, Menzel said that Arnold may have merely seen spots of water on his airplane's windows.

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A Commentary on UFOs, Paranormal events, and related topics.

Saturday, July 04, 2015

Flying Saucers and Kenneth Arnold

(Blogger's Note: Yes, I've touched on this before but in the last week or so the MSM, that is to say Time, published a UFO story that made the point that flying saucer was based on an error so of proving there is nothing to the sightings. I thought I'd take another run at this idea.)

I have seen recently more suggestions that the term, "Flying Saucer," is a misnomer because Kenneth Arnold wasn't describing the shape of the objects he saw but their motion through the air. Reports from June 1947, however, seemed to indicate that some objects were saucer shaped, and others, who were busy

The original drawing made by Arnold for the Army in 1947.
misidentifying mundane objects, whether natural or human constructed, began talking of flying saucers regardless of shape. It is a point that I find interesting.

When I was working on The Government UFO Files, I tried to track all this down. Looking at the newspaper reporting, at the Project Blue Book files, at the documentation that came from APRO, NICAP and other organizations, I tried to find any story published prior to June 24, 1947, that mentioned disk-shaped or saucer-shaped craft. I found virtually nothing.

Photograph by William Rhodes in July 1947.

There were many stories in the newspapers after Arnold about strange craft, and many of them referred to flying saucers even when the object reported was not saucer shaped. The term became a catchall for anything that people had seen and had been unable to identify. The best seemed to be a report in the newspaper from Cedar Rapids, Iowa, that predated Arnold, but the truth was that while it seemed the man had seen the objects on June 24 (as best as I can figure) it wasn't reported until days after Arnold so was no help in my quest. You can read about it here:

<http://kevinrandle.blogspot.com/2013/03/the-june-23-1947-ufo-sighting.html>

On April 1, 1947, a series of sightings made by Walter Minczewski began near Richmond, Virginia that involved the U.S. Weather Bureau and seemed to meet my rather arbitrary conditions. This would later become Incident No. 79 in the Project Grudge final report. According to the information provided:

A weather bureau observer at the Richmond Station observed on three different occasions, during a six month period prior to April, 1947, a disc-like metal chrome object. All sightings were made through a theodolite while making pibal [balloon] observations.

On the last reported sighting, the balloon was at 15,000 feet altitude, the disc followed for 15 seconds. It was shaped like an ellipse with a flat level bottom and a dome-like top [emphasis added]. The altitude and the speed were not estimated, but the object, allegedly through the instrument, appeared larger than the balloon.

Another observer at the same station saw a similar object under corresponding circumstances, with the exception that her balloon was at an altitude of 27,000

feet and possessed a dull-metallic luster. There was good visibility on days of observation. Report of this sighting was not submitted until 22 July 1947. AMC Opinion: There is no readily apparent explanation. If there were only one such object, it seems amazingly coincidental that it would be seen four times near the pibal of this station only. On the other hand, there would have to be a great number of these objects to rule out coincidence, and as they number of objects increases so do the chances of sightings by other witnesses.

Project Astronomer's Opinion: There is no astronomical explanation for this incident, which, however, deserves considerable attention, because of the experience of the observers and the fact that the observations was made through a theodolite and that comparison could be made with a pibal balloon. The observers had, therefore, a good estimate of altitude, of relative size, and of speed - much more reliable than those given in most reports.

This investigator would like to recommend that these and other pibal observers be quizzed as to other possible, unreported sightings.

This series of reports, made by Minczewski, are not mentioned in the Project Blue Book Index, which lists only a couple of reports made prior to the Kenneth Arnold sighting. All were reported after the press coverage of the Arnold sighting, so there is no way to document the actual date of the sighting.

Ted Bloecher, in The Report on the UFO Wave of 1947, added some important details to the case. He wrote:

As early as the middle of April 1947, at the Weather Bureau in Richmond, Virginia, a U. S. Government meteorologist named Walter A. Minczewski and his staff had released a pibal balloon and were tracking its east-to-west course at 15,000 feet when they noticed silver, ellipsoidal object just below it. Larger than the balloon, this object appeared to be flat on bottom, and when observed through the theodolite used to track the balloon, was seen to have a dome on its upper side. Minczewski and his assistants watched the object for fifteen seconds as it traveled rapidly in level flight on a westerly course, before disappearing from view. In the official report on file at the Air Force's Project Blue Book, at Wright-Patterson Field, in Dayton, Ohio, this sighting is listed as Unidentified.

The point here is that we have a case of a disk-like object, and a date assigned by the Air Force about the sighting, but we have no documentation that I can find dated prior to the Arnold sighting. There might be something hidden away in the Weather Bureau records, or somewhere else, but I have nothing that pre-dates Arnold for this case.

And before I hear of all those sightings of disks and saucers from early in the 20th century, I was looking for something in the months prior to Arnold. I arbitrarily set a year as the outside limit though I did look at the Foo Fighter reports. The Swedish Ghost Rockets in 1946 all seemed to be of something that resembled German vengeance weapons as opposed to flying saucers.

While the claim that "flying saucers" are the result of bad reporting and people leaping onto the bandwagon, there is some evidence that saucers had been seen prior to Arnold but there is virtually nothing in the record to show these sightings were reported prior to Arnold. That might be because no one thought much about it until the Arnold sighting hit the national press, but whatever the reason, the point is, I could find nothing about a saucer-shaped object dated in the months prior to Arnold (and to beat a dead horse, I have the reports published after Arnold that refer to events before Arnold, but nothing in the newspapers or anywhere else published prior to it).

Posted by KRandle at 9:48 AM

Labels: APRO, foo fighters, Ghost Rockets, Government UFO Files, Kenneth Arnold, NICAP, Project Blue Book, Project Grudge, Ted Bloecher, US Weather Bureau, Walter Minczewski

57 comments:

Lance said...

It seems to me, Kevin, that even if you did find evidence of disk-shaped craft reported prior to Arnold's sighting, that does not negate the proposition that

the "skips like a saucer"/"flying saucer" media construction was responsible for why saucers became the predominant shape that people "saw" in the skies.

The Arnold case received a huge amount of coverage. We absolutely know that press coverage precipitates copycat reports (see the windshield pitting hysteria or the Mad Gasser nonsense for proof).

Arnold didn't see a saucer--but the press reported that he did and thereafter saucers were pretty much the standard shape for UFO's. Denying the implications of this is just part of the reason that UFO belief falls outside scientific (or rational) interest.

Lance

July 4, 2015 at 10:45 AM

albert said...

@Lance,

Certainly some witnesses will try to shoehorn a sighting into some familiar shape or construction, but there's no reason to assume that most folks can't accurately report what they see. Since our culture is conditioned by 'science' to believe that all phenomena can be explained, a grey area exists between the sighting and the analysis of what it was (explanation). Some folks (way too many, IMO) are willing to ascribe 'UFO' (i.e., alien, 'flying saucer') to any light in the sky. Some folks are, with metaphysical certitude, not willing to entertain any such hypothesis. The physical description is all we have to go on. If it's not a bird, a plane, or Superman, then it has to be considered, for the moment, as unexplained. Hearing folks pontificate on what it could be is usually of no interest to me, unless they have a new take on the issue. I've heard the range of possibilities, from the sublime to the ridiculous.

I have no problem with unexplained sightings, and I really don't care if I never find an explanation. Sometimes, we gotta be satisfied with theories. Science is full of 'em.

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July 4, 2015 at 12:01 PM

Bob Koford said...

Though not a from a press report, I believe the July 2 1947 Project:SIGN document on the sighting of "Supersonic Platters" is interesting. Even though the document was penned on July the 2nd, and the report was taken late June, after Arnold's sighting, the actual incident supposedly occurred on May 19th.

The term "Supersonic Platters" seems, by reason, to have come from the witnesses, as Flying Saucer was already being used internally. It is an interesting term, since it is another way of describing something akin to a "flying saucer."

July 4, 2015 at 12:16 PM

albert said...

@Kevin,

I did a little research into 'pibal' (pilot balloon) stuff. Fascinating how the WWW has so much information on obscure subjects. Theodolite tracking of UFOs is a great way to get some quantitative information, especially with two systems. (<http://www.pilotballoon.com>)

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Modern theodolites (used for missile tracking) are much more sophisticated, with video, auto tracking, data recording, and multi-site coordination. There's an outfit (hunter.pairsite.com/theodolite/) with an iPhone app that duplicates those functions. Up to 5 units can be 'synced'. This represents the possibility of finally obtaining quantitative evidence in UFO sightings. Video, altitude, direction and speed, as well as accurate size estimations. With millions of iPhones in use, all that's necessary is some organization.

Sure would be a welcome change from the UFO BS on YouTube.

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July 4, 2015 at 12:19 PM

KRandle said...

Lance -

Wouldn't the null hypothesis for this be that flying saucers were reported prior to the Arnold sighting?

We have many cases of people seeing flying saucers in the months prior to Arnold. I reject those that were reported after Arnold because there could be contamination. They might have seen something else but then said it was disk shaped or saucer shaped based on what was said in the press.

But for those reported prior to Arnold, that contamination doesn't exist. While there are sightings of saucers or disks reported prior to Arnold, those are a decade or more older. I wanted something closer to Arnold. There is also evidence that the Air Force dumped a number of cases that had been in their files that predated Arnold.

So, here is where we are. I have not found anything that predates Arnold that can be documented other than the possibility of the Minczewski case from April. At this point I have been until to document that but there is a real possibility of that.

July 4, 2015 at 12:39 PM

Lance said...

Hi Kevin,

I don't think so. It's a rather common shape and is documented in earlier science fiction.

It's the huge media frenzy and the resulting reports that followed that suggest that the shape followed the press report. We have no reason to think that all of those reports were anything other than at least the standard ~90% (and I suggest more like 100%) bunk that make up all UFO cases. So among those cases, it is strongly suggested that folks had learned that they should see saucers (not the off bat-wing/half plates that Arnold saw). And they dutifully began to "see" them.

Of course nothing social like this is open and shut and completely clear cut. There very well may have been earlier reports of a saucer shape. I don't think that matters.

Albert writes:

" but there's no reason to assume that most folks can't accurately report what they _see_. "

I think there is plenty reason, particularly under media induced hysteria. I will mention the famous experiments done in the UK that David Clarke revisits in his excellent new book, "How UFOs Conquered the World: The History of a Modern Myth" as rather clear evidence of this.

Again, ignoring or trying to feebly minimize this inconvenient truth hasn't served UFO believers well in trying to get folks outside the myth to take interest.

Lance

July 4, 2015 at 1:54 PM

Brian B said...

The shape Arnold drew, initially for ALL of the "saucers" he saw resembles a near if not perfectly drawn outline of the early 1950's AVRO Canada "Project Y" that used a radical design featuring a radial flow gas turbine engine in the center.

While that design was officially contracted for production in 1952, it has been documented that English designer Jack Frost believed the Nazis had already created saucer aircraft and he then attempted to design his own. While he arrived in Canada in June 1947, it has been discussed that he was already working on these design prototypes for the British parent company AVRO Ltd as early as 1945.

If this is true, Arnold may have reported a squadron of prototypes coming from the Avro airfields just across the border for transport to USAAF fields in the SW and California.

Project Y could travel Mach 2.5 and could easily hit the 1,500 mph Arnold estimated. The Rhodes photo of July 1947 is also one of the early prototype designs. The hole in the center is the gas turbine which Rhodes reported when he said it emitted a rushing whirlwind sound.

July 4, 2015 at 2:03 PM

Don Maor said...

Lance claimed:

"that does not negate the proposition that the "skips like a saucer"/"flying saucer" media construction was responsible for why saucers became the predominant shape that people "saw" in the skies."

Strictly speaking, the proposition "skips like a saucer" does NOT negate the object being like a saucer. Of course, it was not a saucer for food, but the proposition does NOT rule out the saucer shape. In other words, saucers may also "skip like a saucer".

Another point, skeptics always fail to notice that additionally to the disc or saucer shape, many other shapes were reported, likes spheres, cylinders, pyramids, and many other odd ones. So, skeptics always like to claim that the media contamination is so strong and devastating that it caused the misnomer "saucer" from the Arnold Sighting, but in the reality, the media contamination was not so strong, allowing the reporting of other shapes of UFOs. The variety of consistent shapes reported for UFOs would tell any normal person that there is something real to UFOs.

Lance claimed:

"Arnold didn't see a saucer--but the press reported that he did and thereafter saucers were pretty much the standard shape for UFO's. Denying the implications of this is just part of the reason that UFO belief falls outside scientific (or rational) interest."

I don't know what Arnold saw, but many skeptics seem to comfortably believe that Arnold saw something with shape a boomerang. The very first drawings by Arnold (one those drawings is presented by Kevin here) do not support the boomerang shape. Indeed, the drawing is pretty much closer to the disc shape than to the boomerang.

July 4, 2015 at 2:16 PM

Lance said...

Don,

I accept your first point but I don't think it is pertinent. Arnold's first descriptions, which are not well documented but seem to be something like: "half-moon shaped, oval in front and convex in the rear" isn't like what became the classic saucer shape. I realize that believers try to rationalize that away.

Don writes:

"skeptics always fail to notice that additionally to the disc or saucer shape, many other shapes were reported"

Always? I'm a skeptic. I didn't fail to notice this. That's why I used the word "predominate" above.

"many skeptics seem to comfortably believe that Arnold saw something with shape a boomerang"

Not me. I think he thought that he saw something like the shape he reported mentioned above--sort of a half pie plate with a kind of convex rear end.

And the drawing is immaterial, I suggest, since it came after the media frenzy and wasn't nearly as well publicized.

Again, I realize that, for saucer believers, this characterization doesn't fit their belief system. But it is compelling for folks outside the mythology.

Lance

July 4, 2015 at 2:45 PM

Brian B said...

Don't forget that a month after he gave his original report he added a new type of object to the mix. In the Portland Oregonian on July 11, he was quoted saying, "I actually saw a type of aircraft slightly longer than it was wide, with a thickness about one twentieth as great as its width. ...I reckoned the saucers were 23 miles away."

This evolved into his drawing of what some claim was a flying wing - and Arnold added that this craft was at the head of the formation leading the other formerly described craft.

Interesting he did not report this initially. Did he fictionalize the new object from concepts known from the Horton or Northrup designs to somehow justify the sighting as real? Make it more believable?

July 4, 2015 at 3:27 PM

Unknown said...

Brian,

If the AVRO Project Y was already built in 1947 then why was the contract for the prototype let in 1952? From what I can tell it never went to more than a wooden prototype and was never produced. The figures for performance appear to be theoretical. The later Avrocar was a much simplified version of a Frost design and it was an abject failure.

The flying wing was another project ahead of it's time, it proved to be unstable in flight. It wasn't until computer controlled flight became possible that the flying wing became practical.

July 4, 2015 at 6:20 PM

Don Maor said...

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July 4, 2015 at 6:50 PM

Don Maor said...

Lance said:

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The shape reported by Arnold is well documented in his original drawings. Make an exercise Lance, print in a paper the original drawing made by Arnold (Kevin has posted the original drawing in this post). Once printed, grab a compass (a circle-maker-tool) and honestly try to inscribe or circumscribe a circle to the drawing made by Arnold. You tell then if they are so different or not.

July 4, 2015 at 6:51 PM

Lance said...

It hardly takes such an experiment to see what is plain: Arnold's is circular in front but not in back which is unlike what immediately became the traditional flying saucer.

I understand why believers want this fact to go away.

Lance

July 4, 2015 at 7:06 PM

Lance said...

And I did say his first descriptions. The drawing came several weeks later apparently and, as we see, Arnold had quite an imagination as evidenced by his later description of another craft.

Again NONE of that stuff matters--his description didn't sound like a traditional flying saucer.

But folks began to see mostly purely round saucers after the "saucer" word hit the media. And that meme held firm until other shapes took the fancy of the media: triangles and even crosses.

Lance

July 4, 2015 at 7:15 PM

Gurkenstein said...

There were many stories in the newspapers after Arnold about strange craft, and many of them referred to flying saucers even when the object reported was not saucer shaped.

I'm comfortable with the fact the term "flying saucer" became a colloquialism until it was gradually supplanted by "ufo," just as the term "foo fighter" became the colloquial reference among allied air crews during WWII to describe phenomena.

Statistical analysis of both Blue Book and NICAP sightings reports completely refute some random skeptic's repeated insistence that the term dictated, let alone influenced the subsequent nature of the majority of sighting reports. As Kevin suggested, even when for example cigar shape or cylindrical objects were described in detailed follow-ups they would be loosely referred to as "flying saucers" in their initial sighting reports.

What I find far more pernicious is that the term "ufo" is presently conflated to imply extraterrestrial, and worse, "little green men" per se. This is the main reason I've abandoned the ufo reference completely, it's become analogous in the popular culture with ET.

July 4, 2015 at 9:27 PM

Lance said...

"Statistical analysis of both Blue Book and NICAP sightings reports completely refute some random skeptic's repeated insistence that the term dictated, let alone influenced the subsequent nature of the majority of sighting reports."

Can you provide a link for this analysis?

Thanks,

Lance

July 4, 2015 at 9:44 PM

Gurkenstein said...

http://www.nicap.org/ufoe/section_12.htm

July 4, 2015 at 10:51 PM

Lance said...

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July 4, 2015 at 10:57 PM

Lance said...

Okay. And that paper, which closely follows the original Project Grudge conclusion that:

"The most numerous reports indicate daytime observation of metallic disc-like objects roughly in diameter ten times their thickness."

And indeed shows that (even considering up to 1963 --quite a ways past the time period we are discussing) the predominate reported shape was disk-like.

And that does what you say it does, how?

Lance

July 4, 2015 at 11:05 PM

Gurkenstein said...

This is a waste of my time. This is a 170-page report that states quite plainly in its introduction,

An attempt was made to find groups of Unknowns for which the observed characteristics were the same. No such groups were found.. An intensive study, aimed at finding a verified model or models of "flying saucers .. led to the conclusion that neither goal could be attained using the present data.. the data conclusively failed to reveal even a rough model.. the data as a whole failed to reveal any marked patterns or trends. - Statement by U.S. Air Force (From Project Blue Book Special Report No.14, 1955, ppg. 91-94)

The data is there. It supports this conclusion. It couldn't be any more simple. I'm done.

July 4, 2015 at 11:22 PM

Lance said...

Sorry to waste your time by asking you to provide support for your assertions. Many UFO believers have plenty of time for the assertions...little time for supporting them.

The paper talks about lots of stuff unrelated to the discussion above: maneuvers and supposed flight characteristics, etc. ..that is why the paper (written by hardcore UFO buffs) decided that there was no typical UFO.

On the shape of the things (what we were discussing here, I think) the paper is quite clear: most were disc shaped.

So instead of supporting your earlier assertion, it refutes it handily.

Thanks,

Lance

July 4, 2015 at 11:30 PM
Gurkenstein said...

No Lance. The assertions are yours. The paper refutes your casual assertions that somehow the term "flying saucer" has influenced the nature of sightings exactly with detailed collection of charts, tables and illustrations. More interestingly, anyone with a few seconds of time can see how you chose to structure your argument by cherry-picking a single sentence from a paragraph, and present that as the conclusive support of your repeated misrepresentation of sightings.

The paragraph you decided to do your buffet-shopping from reads:

A. PHYSICAL APPEARANCE
Shape

The Air Force Project Grudge Report of December 1949 (Technical Report No. 102-AC-49/15-100) concluded, on the basis of intelligence reports of UFOs, that the objects were of three basic types:

- (1) "The most numerous reports indicate daytime observation of metallic disc-like objects roughly in diameter ten times their thickness."
- (2) Rocket-like objects.
- (3) "Sharply defined luminous objects" appearing as lights at night.

Thirteen years of UFO sightings have been added to the record since this evaluation was made. A statistical study of the cases listed in the chronology of this report [Section XI], covering a period of 22 years beginning with 1942, indicates that the above pattern is well-established.

In sum... not only is your characterization wrong, as more data became available it is proven more wrong.

July 4, 2015 at 11:46 PM
Lance said...
I'm sorry I don't understand your point....

The above says clearly that the most numerous reports indicated saucer shaped objects. The other two types were presumedly less numerous,

And I concede that there were chart and graphs, very impressive. But they all support the basic idea that the saucer is the predominate shape reported by witnesses.

I know it is tempting to just say it is all in there but can you point out the exact point that refutes the above?

Lance

July 4, 2015 at 11:56 PM
eBikesRC said...

See below...I don't think this guy was joking at all. He gave waayyy too detailed information to be a joke. This is WHY I know Roswell is part of some MILITARY UFO EARTH BASED secret program. We do NOT have a need to know! That's how the game is played. Arnold KNEW he was bugged in WA, and he starts the propaganda catching wild fire with Fate magazine too! What an amazing media campaign.

Also, the very end of the article says these sightings were happening for 10 days, so that predates Roswell too.

How many ET UFO Investigators SERIOUSLY followed-up on any of these reports? There was enough information there to track down some relatives, etc. IMO.

<http://www.project1947.com/fig/1947f.htm>

I thank Sentry for finding that link. His blog is blueblurrylines.com

Roswell Morning Dispatch, - July 8, 1947

Report Flying Disk Found

By The Associated Press

Two flying disks were reported found in Texas and at least one is being investigated by military officials as the total number of Texans claiming to have seen the mysterious objects passed the 50 mark yesterday.

The disks were reported found on a beach near Trinity Bay, near Houston, and near Hillsboro.

The Houston Chronicle said a great deal of mystery surrounded the one found near there by Norman Hargrave, a jeweler, Sunday. He first reported that he had found the aluminum disk floating near the beach while he and his wife were walking. He described it minutely, even giving an inscription he said it carried.

Today he said it was all a joke, but the Chronicle, after extensive checking, said "there are some mysterious facts contained in his (Hargrave's) first report that lend credence to the tale."

Hargrave first said the disk bore this wording: "Military secret of the United States of America. Army Air Forces M4339658. Anyone damaging or revealing description or whereabouts of this missile subject to prosecution by the U.S. government. Call collect at once, LD446, Army Air Forces Denot, Spokane, Wash." He said the words "non-explosive" also were carried.

It was recalled that the initial reports of flying saucers or disks originated in the Spokane area.

The Chronicle, meanwhile, telephoned Spokane, and said it "brought interest" on the part of the commanding officer, but he would not confirm or deny that the missile may have carried the message. Later he referred Houston to Wright Field, Ohio, but the commanding officer there was out of town.

In Houston, Col. R. W. Warren, commanding officer of Ellington Field, said he had been instructed by Washington to investigate.

Houston police would not say if they had the missile.

The second flying disks (sic) was reported found by Bob Scott, a farmer living two and a half miles east of Hillsboro. He said the disk fell on his place Friday, and that it resembled a saucer. He said it was so bright he could not look at it very long.

He said he was afraid people might believe he was "going to extremes in imagining things" and he told no one but his family until yesterday.

Then he notified O.F. Kissick and Joe Gerick, Hillsboro, who went to the field and investigated. Most of it had melted, they said. Gerick said one piece looked like tin foil, but when he picked it up, it appeared to be celluloid.

Another development in Houston was a suggestion by Charles Odom, 23, air force captain in the last war, that the flying disks might be "crystal balls" similar to those he said were used by the Nazis.

He said these balls were electronically operated, and while in midair would send back to a radar screen on the ground the altitude, speed and other data of bombers it approached. He said the balls would fly up to the altitude of bombers, were apparently magnetized, and then flew along with the plane formations. [...]

July 5, 2015 at 1:53 AM

cda said...

eBikesRC:

I presume Charles Odom's "crystal balls" are fictitious. The ones 'used by the Nazis' are the 'foo fighters' seen by both allied forces and the Germans. Each blamed the other for those mysterious lights that appeared to follow the bombers. Perhaps Odom is basing his tale on them.

Why does the Houston Chronicle happen to report two other discs found on a beach the very same day the Roswell papers were reporting the 'disc' found on a ranch in NM? Are we supposed to believe three 'discs' were all reported on the same day? What became of the Houston 'discs', assuming they existed?

We also read that one of them is described as a 'missile'. Why? A small disc found on a beach becomes a 'missile'. Really this shows how dotty the subject had become after only two weeks in the news.

Arnold developed his paranoia about being bugged during the Maury Island case in late July, I believe. Someone can correct me if I'm wrong.

July 5, 2015 at 7:56 AM

Brian B said...

@CDA on the term "missile"....

If you look at the 1940's use of this term it is frequently used to describe non-conventional aircraft of any kind, not just rocket propelled "missiles" as we know them today. That's why it commonly shows up when even describing Arnold's sighting and others of the time.

July 5, 2015 at 9:30 AM

Brian B said...

@ Neal Foy - you commented:

"If the AVRO Project Y was already built in 1947 then why was the contract for the prototype let in 1952? From what I can tell it never went to more than a wooden prototype and was never produced."

Yes, but if exploration of the prototypes between 1947 and 1952 were able to demonstrate viability, and the partnerships between competing allies (Britain and the U.S.) were resolved post war, then you have contract agreement.

Of course any Punic research is going to end with nothing more than a wooden mock-up. However the project was publicly reported "cancelled" for no reasons and then "went away". Maybe it did, or maybe it was buried in yet another black project contract. The wooden mockup photos, by the way, didn't get released for decades later due to secrecy. Why so much secrecy over a wooden model?

Avrocar, of course, was nothing but a joke. A PR effort to redirect public (and Soviet) attention away from advanced working designs. It's just a hovercraft and it is not the same design or engine used in Project Y.

Why discount that Arnold's sighting illustration and commentary is an identical match to Project Y? Why discount they were coming from Canadian airspace? Why discount that AVRO operated testing and storage facilities in SW Canada just over the border?

July 5, 2015 at 9:58 AM

Unknown said...

His description also fits the lifting body design that NASA developed to some degree. Surely no one would say he saw several of those, especially since it wasn't even powered. FYI Project Y seems to be AVRO's designation for several projects, not just the Spade as it was called. The Spade had a number of problems including heat that melted various parts and pilots visibility when trying to land. The heat problem seems to be real while the visibility problem may be theoretical since there's no record of one ever flying let alone trying to land. It appears that when the US Air Force took over the project it became Project Silver Bug, another failure for Frost inspired design.

Why discount all those things? Because no Frost design ever became a real production model. Why believe he had several working aircraft in 1947 when later he couldn't get any of his ideas to work as advertised? Essentially the Avrocar was a hovercraft, and a poor one at that.

To sum it up, to attribute the Arnold sighting to any Frost design appears to be a giant reach.

July 5, 2015 at 10:23 AM

Brian B said...

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July 5, 2015 at 1:01 PM

Brian B said...

@Neal Foy...

A "giant reach"...really? GIANT? If there are sighting and witness description attributes which are identical to known designs, even if not publically acknowledged, you prefer to disregard them as a "giant reach"?

- Shape identical
- Speed identical
- Direction of origin matching source
- Designer known to favor saucer shapes
- Secret project inexplicably canceled
- Data revealed decades later

Ah....that's not a "giant leap". It's a valid hypothesis with reasonable source indicators.

A giant leap would be to automatically declare the objects ET from outer space.

July 5, 2015 at 1:04 PM

Unknown said...

Brian,

- Shape close but not identical
- Theoretical Speed identical
- Direction of origin matching alleged source: As if aircraft never alter course. Boeing is nearby too and is has produced designs that actually work.
- Designer known to favor saucer shapes, that fail time after time.
- Secret project canceled because of problems that couldn't be overcome.
- Data revealed decades later: Just not true, the project was known about at least by the 1960's, the picture of the wooden prototype was found later.

Sorry Brian, time traveling designs work no better than time traveling dummies for explanations.

July 5, 2015 at 2:06 PM

CommanderCronus said...

If the exterior of an aircraft is highly reflective, does that result in a larger radar signature? Just wondering, because the descriptions of the saucers make me think of lighter-than-air craft, maybe experimental decoys of some kind.

The Army utilized inflatable tank decoys during the D-day invasion, and I wonder if, in later years, the Air Force tried something similar.

July 5, 2015 at 3:35 PM

eBikesRC said...

Does this seem to be a joke? I think not. Is this how secret craft were sometimes labeled? This is very important to my understanding of the UFO wave in 1947. Did ANY UFO researcher ever attempt to follow-up on this? WHY not???????????????? [See my post above for more details and a link.]

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July 5, 2015 at 4:35 PM

Don Maor said...

Lance:

"And I did say his first descriptions. The drawing came several weeks later apparently and, as we see, Arnold had quite an imagination as evidenced by his later description of another craft."

Well, if by "several weeks" you wanted to mean less than three weeks, then we are OK.

Notice also that implying that the imagination of Arnold acted to somehow distort what he really saw can be used also against the skeptic theories. One may propose that Arnold really saw a disc shape object, but that his "imagination" and his airplane background make him imagine that the object needed something like a tail-side, erasing from his memory the real shape, which had no tail absolutely, and obliging his mind to destroy the symmetry of a circular shape, and putting to it something vaguely resembling a tail side. Further months would have converted the almost-disc shape into something more airplane-like, a boomerang, flying wing, etc, etc, etc.

July 5, 2015 at 6:11 PM

cda said...

eBikesRC:

I submit that the two Houston discs were fictitious, phoney.

We are told that the inscription said to call some AAF place in Spokane. OK so why didn't the guy who found it (Hargrave) do just that, instead of telling his tale to the Houston Chronicle and letting them do it? Why also did not the AAF take steps to recover the 'disc'? By telling the newspaper Hargrave had already "revealed its whereabouts" so he ought to have been prosecuted, as the inscription says. Why wasn't he? And why on earth did the Spokane office (who

demanding to be notified of its discovery) then refer the newspaper to another office? And when this Col Warren "went to investigate" what did he find? Any idea?

The whole tale is a yarn - it is as simple as that.

And I am still curious as to why these two tales appeared in the press on the same day as the Roswell 'disc' was first announced.

Was the press in those parts suffering from 'landed disc-omania' maybe?

July 6, 2015 at 6:10 AM
Unknown said...
cda

I'm going to agree with you there. I can't say I've ever seen a secret project but the inscription doesn't sound very military to me. Military inscriptions tend to be less wordy. It does seem odd that the guy who found it wasn't prosecuted. You have to wonder why the newspaper wasn't told to hold the story.

July 6, 2015 at 8:35 AM
Brian B said...

Well it appears that from 29 June 1947 there was almost one news article per day following Arnold's original report. Regarding the Houston article and Trinity Bay, this was reported in an Abilene paper.

On July 8, 1947 the Abilene Reporter News reported that the fragments of two purported "flying disks" were found, one disk found on a beach at Trinity Bay, near Houston and one found near Hillsboro.

Note it said "fragments" not complete saucers. The Hillsboro case left synthetic plastic debris.

That area has been known to have other sightings including one photographed in 1968. Decades later there was an object that crashed there. This was reported by the San Leon paper:

"Whatever it was that crashed to Earth in San Leon on September 24th, it has generated a lot of interest from the United States government and from private investigative groups. The known facts are that on the evening of September 24th, several witnesses saw a fiery object moving at a high rate of speed fall from the sky and land in a cow pasture at 18th Street and Broadway. This occurred just after 5:30 pm.

The object reportedly exploded in a fireball upon impact, setting the field afire. The first responders to arrive were the San Leon Volunteer Fire Department. They were reportedly unaware of what had started the blaze, but battled flames that threatened to get out of control in the dry gusty conditions on that date. The fire covered about 60 acres of pasture, and no buildings were destroyed. At first, Assistant Fire Chief Scott Lyons was very cooperative, telling us that the object might have been a meteorite, or part of a falling satellite. Since then, Lyons and other officials won't speak "on the record" about the incident, saying they cannot comment on cases that are still under investigation. They were unable to disclose exactly what is under investigation, or even whether there is any investigation regarding the incident. In the meanwhile, a team of scientists from the NASA Space Center visited the scene the morning after the fire, and closed the area off with yellow crime scene warning tape. They encamped at the spot for two days, and - judging from the mess they left behind - removed a large amount of dirt from the site. Unmarked helicopters, presumably military, have also been seen hovering above the site and flying around it on several occasions recently. A neighbor who asked not to be named, wrecker service owner Sam Adams, said that at one point a member of the NASA crew at the site asked him to bring a winch and assist in loading a truck with some debris from the site. Adams said he was not able to see what was loaded into the flatbed truck, as it was wrapped up and tied inside of a large

tarpaulin. He said whatever it was weighed 600-800 pounds, and was approximately the size of a grand piano. The NASA crew at the site was wearing white-colored hazmat safety suits, but Adams said they appeared to be wearing US Air Force uniforms underneath. The one who requested Adams help had an eagle insignia, indicating the rank of Colonel. Eyewitness Jerry Long of San Leon, who saw the object fall and the subsequent explosion, then dialed 9-1-1. "I saw it fall out of the corner of my eye, I didn't really get a good look. But as I turned that way, it hit the ground and blew up like a huge bomb. The ground shook. The flames shot out in every directions for hundreds of feet. I fell down on the ground, I was so startled and shaken." Our attempts to get some comment from NASA was unsuccessful. We were referred to the Public Affairs Officer at the Johnson Space Center, Michael Kincaid, who said the only thing he had the authority to do would be to send us a brochure about the Space Center and Museum and tours. "Speaking off the record, and not for publication" Kincaid said, "I can tell you that the object seen by the witnesses in San Leon was most likely a reflection of swamp gases caused by decaying vegetation in the nearby bayou."

July 6, 2015 at 10:11 AM

Gilles Fernandez said...

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July 6, 2015 at 10:55 AM

Gilles Fernandez said...

Hello,

Ufology is strange -sic- (pseudo-scientific?) and have proposed "points" to defend itself regarding her desire to become "scientific", but not in accordance of the modern myth they have elaborated/constructed and Arnold "princeps case"...

You guys, when you construct "scale" concerning the validity of your "pseudo" UFO sighting insist about "Multiple witnesses" and ask "agnostic" to be cautious about/if "only one witness", but this case is becomed your golden one... Wow, guys!

Same, you insist about a sighting and when the narrative doesn't change with time, despite Kenneth Arnold, have changed by time (when he meet Ray Palmer)...

Please, try to have some semblance of logic... And maybe Sciences will be interrested.

Regards,

Gilles Fernandez.

July 6, 2015 at 10:57 AM

eBikesRC said...

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Back in those days you did NOT have a phone-address book for Spokane in Houston, nor did a jeweler know of that military address/location and specific contact information for that base. No, that part is NOT a joke, nor is that part a hoax. And, the Chronicle did find that information worked to find someone at the other end of their phone calls interested including the Spokane military base with no comment.

It's quite typical in case after case that people are told to shut-up about it afterwards, so saying it was all a joke is an easy way out. But, the logic above confirms the previous sentence here, IMO.

I don't think "joking" or "hoaxing" would be anyone's MO back in that time

frame. That kind of hoax game would be played later by fraud artists typically within an established UFO community. Those leaders or groups did not exist then.

What would be happening is people would be misidentifying objects in the sky, BUT NOT crashed objects on the ground, IMO. A witness may not know exactly what it is, but the witness can describe the object debris up-close with time to look at it and report it fairly accurately vs some object high in the sky thousands of feet or more away.

Anyway, no one seems to have followed-up on these reports. These named people probably did exist. Was this military "M4339658" ID system on the object used? It's wide-open to investigation, and it should have been done long ago.

July 6, 2015 at 5:04 PM

Unknown said...

I found this from the Oregon MUFON website, a compilation of stories published in Portland newspapers from two days to about two weeks after Arnold's sighting. This is a link to the first of three pages:

<http://www.oregonmufon.com/index.php/oregon-history/44-articles-from-portland-newspapers-1>

Certainly shows a lot of reports from across the country. On the top of page three is a landing story with possibly the first description of travel of the landing saucers (although described as more like washtubs) resembling "falling leaves". Something that was common in later reports.

At the bottom of page three one of the first self appointed debunkers. A lady who sold balloons at carnivals.

July 6, 2015 at 9:07 PM

albert said...

AVRO-type saucer-shaped aircraft were never shown to have been flown (unlike the flying wing types that actually did fly). While both were 'aerodynamic' shapes, neither could be controlled safely by human pilots. It would be decades before flight control computers would enable even un-aerodynamic ('flying rocks') aircraft like the F-117 to fly. The idea that the military had such craft (and supersonic at that) in the forties and fifties is ridiculous, if for no other reason than the known lack of flight control technology. FC computers are relatively sophisticated, even by today's standards.

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July 7, 2015 at 10:38 AM

Jeanne Ruppert said...

UFOs in the Arctic, 1971

<http://www.theblackvault.com/casefiles/arctic-ufo-photographs-uss-trepang-ssn-674-march-1971/#>

July 7, 2015 at 6:04 PM

Brian B said...

@Albert - you commented:

"AVRO-type saucer-shaped aircraft were never shown to have been flown (unlike the flying wing types that actually did fly). While both were 'aerodynamic' shapes, neither could be controlled safely by human pilots."

You are basing that conclusion on what is in the public domain regarding military development of saucer shaped aircraft.

Do you believe that today, all secret military and defense projects are "reported" or publically made "known"? If not, why would you assume that in the late 1940's secret weapons research would be publically shared?

July 7, 2015 at 6:56 PM
albert said...
@Brian,

I DO believe that secret military technology is being developed continuously. I also said, "...known lack of flight control technology...". Saucer-shaped aircraft are extremely unstable. Either they had very sophisticated computers back then, or they had some otherworldly technology that accomplished the same thing. Saucer craft offered little improvement over existing aircraft designs. They would have (and still may have) value as decoys or disinformation devices. The public may fall for it, but the worlds militaries would know better. The world-wide IC community always knows more about us than we do.

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July 8, 2015 at 8:39 AM
Unknown said...
@ albert

Some people tried to say that the Arnold sighting was the Navy "Flying Flapjack". Trouble was there was only one of those and it was on the East Coast. To say that the sighting was of a Frost design makes no sense at all. For the reasons you mentioned and more, the Spade as it was called was a VTOL design that took off and landed vertically. Look at Space-X, they can't get their rocket to do that even with modern computers.

To assume that anyone could build nine of these things that could do what the objects in the Arnold sighting could do stretches the imagination. For one thing why would they waste the money building a wooden mock up when they already had nine that worked? Just as an aside, NASA wanted to build a wooden mock up of the External Tank for the Shuttle but it was too expensive. They ended up with a life size rendering on the wall of the assembly building.

Most people carry computers in their pockets that are more capable than the ones used for Apollo. How could they have had anything in 1947 that could provide stability to a saucer shaped craft? I'm addressing this to you because Brian doesn't want to listen, he wants to say that all sightings are secret projects. To me the numbers alone rule that out.

July 8, 2015 at 9:48 AM
albert said...
@Neal,

Although I believe _some_ sightings are military projects, and some may be very advanced technology.

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July 8, 2015 at 10:55 AM
Unknown said...
eBikesRC::

'This is WHY I know Roswell is part of some MILITARY UFO EARTH BASED secret program.'

Please site authenticated documentation provided by the U.S. government to back up these claims please.

"Military secret of the United States of America. Army Air Forces M4339658."

So we are to believe the government is going to put 'military secret' on their flying craft? I could see 'property', but not 'military secret'.

July 8, 2015 at 11:29 AM
Unknown said...
@albert,

I agree with that, some sightings may well be secret projects with advanced technology but not the Arnold sighting and so many other sightings around the world.

If you read the newspaper accounts Portland shortly after the Arnold sighting it does appear that there was some sort of saucer mania going on around the country. Some were just plain hoax reports. Even the balloon lady was probably right about some cases. It's difficult to say that all the sightings were false though.

July 8, 2015 at 11:30 AM
Unknown said...
oops, should have said accounts from Portland.

@ufodude2010

The jeweler admitted it was just a hoax. And the inscription does look like something a civilian would make up. You don't need to be a military expert to see that. Just look at the military section on e-bay. Here's what is printed on a box of canteen corks from WWII.

8465-377-6965
GASKET, CAP, WATER CANTEEN
100 EACH
A 3/64

As you can see nothing like what was reported on the hoax disc. The military rarely gets wordy, for instance on aircraft instead of saying "Do Not Step Here" it says simply "No Step"

July 8, 2015 at 12:04 PM
Brian B said...
@ Neal and Albert -

Yes, saucer shaped aircraft did often result in instability tests - but using conventional propulsion systems - and not always. The Spade used a then, unconventional power plant.

Mock ups are made for many reasons - typically just for show without any "guts" on the interior. And NASA did build mock ups of the fuel tank and shuttle. You can see them in Huntsville, AL.

What Arnold reported was something more like a jet aircraft, pulse engine, or ram jet. Their reported behavior, shape and flight pattern is not what is commonly reported with classic UFO sightings. There were no right angle 90 degree turns, they did not stop and then shoot upward and out of sight, they did not hover.

I might add that Tesla demonstrated electrogravitic levitation in the 1930's, followed by Biefeld-Brown.

A circular shape is the most practical design for a vehicle that doesn't need wings because it works on a different principle altogether.

July 8, 2015 at 1:35 PM
Unknown said...
@Brian

If you're talking about the Space Museum here's what the website says:

"Shuttle Park

Explore the most complete chronology of launch vehicles in the country, including the world's only fully-stacked Space Transportation System (STS) that includes two solid rocket boosters, genuine space shuttle main engine nozzles and a genuine external tank. This orbiter, Pathfinder, is on display in Shuttle Park and is flanked by a T-38, a twin-engine supersonic jet used in astronaut training."

So it's a real ET, not a mock up. I worked at NASA Michoud so I think I know more than you do about the tank. This was also where the first two stages of the Apollo rockets were built. We had a real Saturn V booster at the main gate. There were real engines stored in one of the bays at the assembly building.

The engineers who worked for AVRO reported the heat problems, I'm not making that up. Maybe metallurgy problems, I don't know, but what makes you think that they overcame those problems in 1947 when they couldn't do that later?

July 8, 2015 at 2:17 PM

Brian B said...

@ Neal

I wasn't suggesting you "made-up" the heat issue. It would be a problem given the supposed speeds the Spade was to achieve...unless components of the aircraft used Titanium.

Public records indicate Kroll, a German immigrant, formulated the extrusion process in the late 1930's...but he was ignored by US aircraft designers during WW2.....until about 1946-47. What if they had actually applied Titanium to some designs in 1946 a bit earlier than publicly reported?

For example, the F-86 was operational in 1948. Design for it started in 1944, but was delayed as engineers tried to incorporate technology from German aircraft designers. It is one of the first planes to be built with significant amounts of Titanium. The metal was used on the airframe and engine.

I will agree that the 1947 sightings do defy what we publicly know about materials application in postwar aircraft giving the impression that no human manufacturing process in the 1940s could have produced operational craft in the supposed varieties and number seen by saucer witnesses.

But perhaps we have not been made privy to all the postwar projects flowing from early Cold War era competition and Nazi prototypes.

July 8, 2015 at 6:24 PM

eBikesRC said...

N.F. wrote: "As you can see nothing like what was reported on the hoax disc. The military rarely gets wordy, for instance on aircraft instead of saying "Do Not Step Here" it says simply "No Step"

You're NOT taking into account that your example is really not a fair comparison, imo, because yours is simply a military part numbering or catalog system, and that has NOTHING to do with a top secret UFO that might crash and be found. Of course, the labeling will be more informative and detailed and wordy enough to help some person of any age or gender understand this is a serious matter and how to contact the authorities. Also, we are already getting a 2nd hand or 3rd hand account, since this is an AP report that may have modified the original article. We do not know if they paraphrased this, but I did NOT see quotation marks either to indicate a precise quote either.

So, this tells me serious research needs to be done about this, yet no one has done it that I'm aware of. Kevin Randle certainly knows how to follow-up on these matters, imo.

July 10, 2015 at 5:44 AM

rg-h-ufos said...

Nicolas Roerich had a sighting in the 1926 described as a silver metallic disc. There is some old photos of pre 1947 saucer shaped (hard to tell) objects one from China 1942 and one from the UK in 1944. I tried to research these more but couldn't find anything apart from copy paste info. I am not sure if you mean the term saucer or a description of a saucer

August 28, 2019 at 12:41 PM

Kimmie Baker said...

This was a good read and very informative. Thank you<3

September 2, 2024 at 11:03 AM

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Thanks, B J

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1870 - Mt. Washington, New Hampshire. This photo is dubbed, "the oldest UFO photograph ever taken." This item was the subject of bidding at eBay in 2002 when finally the photo was purchased for \$385.00 by Samuel M. Sherman, who was the president of Independent-International Pictures Corp. This was originally a "stereo" photograph. Certainly, it was difficult to manipulate photos at that time, and remember, there were no flying objects then; at least, not from this world. Thanks to a reader, we now have the original "stereo" photo.

1927 - Oregon. Taken in Cave Junction, Oregon. There is some question as to whether the photo was taken in '26 or '27, but nonetheless, if this is an authentic photograph it is incredible. Reportedly snapped by a volunteer fireman.

Be sure to click to see full size image to really appreciate the picture.

1929 - Slideward - Colorado Ward Sawmill, April - This incident is retold by the photographer's daughter: "This photo was taken by my father Edward Pline at the sawmill in Ward where we lived at the time. I think it was 1929. I was about six years old then. My father was there to photograph the sawmill for some reason or another, and as he was taking the photo, he described a 'terrible thunderous bellow,' and a large round thing as big as a very large boulder that moved through the air above them. You can see it in the picture. "None of the sawmill workers saw the thing in the photo, but they all heard the sound and felt the ground shudder. Later in my life, I tried researching the

incident at the County Historical Society, but I did not find any references to it. My father passed on a few years after the incident, and I have not found any surviving sawmill workers from that time." Hetty Pline

1932 - St. Paris, Ohio. This picture was taken of a man named George Sutton near midday, May 1932. We can see that it was in 1932 from the license plate on the automobile in the photo that accompanied this shot.

The unidentified flying object in the picture could not have been a street lamp, simply because there were no street lamps at the time. There are no power poles or power lines visible anywhere in this picture. This picture shows a vintage automobile.

The owner of the photo album says there were no electric street lights along this road in those days. Nobody has been able to account for the dark object seen over Sutton's left shoulder in this photograph.

1942 - Los Angeles, California. Only a few months after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, on the 25th of February 1942 at 02:25 AM, alarm sirens installed in the event of another invasion began.

Unknown flying objects are seen and announced in the sky of the city. A blackout is declared and the anxious, terrified inhabitants follow the instructions by turning all their lights off.

At 03:16 AM, anti-aircraft guns open fire on the unidentified flying objects coming from the ocean, and projector beams are searching the sky. Witnesses observe small objects flying at high altitude, of red or silver-plated color, moving in formation at high speed, and untouched by the AAA salvos.

This large object was hit by many AAA projectiles, according to the reports. The anti-aircraft defence continued to shoot at UFOs without results.

This is one of the most famous UFO photographs ever taken.

1942 - Washington D. C. October 29. This was taken above Washington, D.C. An object at the very right of the frame was initially thought to represent a high-wing monoplane flying down and right from the upper left-hand corner.

It appears to be too fast for the shutter, its configuration is more disk-like and it is followed by an exceptionally long dark streak (this extends back and upwards to the top of the frame) that is normally associated with jet aircraft.

1944 - England - This UFO was photographed over England in 1944. Source: "The X Factor" magazine issue 53 (Marshall Cavendish publications).

No other information is known about the photograph at this time.

1947 - Morristown, New Jersey. On the morning of July 10, 1947, John H. Janssen, editor of the Daily Record (an American aviation journal) was flying his own plane from Morristown Airport in New Jersey.

He spotted six, luminous spherical craft with hazy rings around them flying in a trail high in the sky above him.

He grabbed his camera and shot a picture.

He was only able to get four of the six objects in the image frame.

Two weeks later, on July 23rd, he had another encounter with what looked to him like the same or very similar aircraft. He was again flying his airplane out of Morristown and was at 6,000 ft.

1947 - July 7 - William Rhodes of Phoenix, Arizona allegedly saw a disk circling his locality during sunset and took two photographs. The resulting pictures show a disk-like object with a round front and a square tail in plane form. These photographs have been examined by experts who state they are true photographic images and do not appear to be an imperfection in the emulsion or in the lens.

Often called the "Roswell UFO." Some info is taken from: www.nicap.org

1947 - July 4 - U.S. Coast Guardsman, Frank Ryman, of Seattle, Washington, took this photograph of a flying disc taken on July 4, 1947, three days before the infamous Rhodes photographs. The Rhodes photos were actually printed in the local paper upside down! Allegedly, one of, if not the first, photograph of a "flying disc."

Source of Info: <http://destinationspace.net/ufo/connors/flyingdiscs.asp>

1947 - Scotland. An alleged UFO picture was taken in the Outer Hebrides in Scotland in 1947. It is important to see the original picture on this one to get the full effect.

This, to me, is a very good picture of an object that is not identifiable by comparison to any known aircraft today. It is a metallic, two-layered object which has never been explained away. A true UFO!

1949 - Cincinnati, Ohio. During the Jitney Carnival at the St. Peter and Paul Church in Norwood, Cincinnati, Ohio, Reverend Gregory Miller, purchased from army surplus, an 8 million candle power searchlight. Sergeant Donald R. Berger of ROTC of the University of Cincinnati would operate it. During the height of the festivities, at 08:15 PM, Sgt. Berger's sweeping searchlight suddenly flashed across a stationary, circular object in the sky.

Reverend Miller and later others joined in and observed. This was only the beginning. Davidson took ten "still" photographs of the large disc-shaped object that flew in and out of the searchlight beam.

Oregon

1950 - May 8 - This is one of the most famous UFO pictures ever taken. Photographed by Paul Trent, and first witnessed by his wife. They were published in a local newspaper in McMinnville, Oregon, shortly thereafter. Soon, the Trent photos were published in Life magazine edition of June 26, 1950. The rest is history. These photos have been deemed authentic for over 50 years. One of the best early photographs of a UFO.

1951 - Lubbock, Texas - The famous photographs from the "Lubbock lights" in Texas, 31 August 1951. Years later, ignoring all testimonies and evidences, skeptics stated that these objects were... birds. This most ridiculous explanation was typical of how early UFO photos were often explained away. Carl Hart Jr. an 18-year-old student took this famous picture with his Kodak camera.

There were at least 100 witnesses who saw the objects. This is one of the classics of Ufology.

1952 - Barra da Tijuca, Brazil, May 7 - While covering a news event for O'Cruzeiro Magazine, reporters Ed Kessel and Joao Martins saw an unusual flying object approaching their location. Kessel snapped five black-and-white pictures of the object as it came right over them. The Brazilian Air Force would later find as many as 40 witnesses who saw the object.

1952 - Washington D. C. During the dawn of Ufology in the United States, unidentified flying objects made themselves known to the leaders of the free world in 1952, buzzing over the White House, the Capitol building, and the Pentagon.

Seemingly the unknown objects were defying the very governmental agencies sworn to protect the United States from foreign powers.

Washington National Airport and Andrews Air Force Base picked up several UFOs on their radar screens on July 19, 1952, beginning a wave of sightings still unexplained to this day.

1952 -Lac Chauvet, France, July 18. A collection of pictures that have been filed and studied by the French GEPAN, then SEPRA state-financed investigation committee, and considered genuine.

The photograph was taken by Andr   Freguale. The image underwent an investigation by Claude Poher, director of the GEPAN, and he deemed that the photograph was not a fraud, but a genuine UFO. A very good picture.

1952 - Salem, Massachusetts. July 16, 1952. During the peak of the 1952 UFO Flap, Shel Alpert, a USCG seaman on duty in the Coast Guard Weather Office at the Salem Coast Guard Station, saw four brilliant lights in the sky.

He called another Guardsman to see the lights, but in those few seconds, the lights had become more dim. When they brightened again, he quickly took a single photograph through the window of the office.

This photo has been published in many books, newspapers, and magazines. An excellent piece of evidence.

1952 - Passaic, New Jersey. George Stock was working in his yard on July 28, 1952, when this dome-shaped saucer appeared.

Because it hovered over transmission lines before heading for him, he was able to get five photos. Only one is included here, but all of them are similar. A great early photo!

1953 - Moumra, Italy. Italian specialist Giuseppe Stilo explained that this alleged photo case was first known when the Italian weekly

L'Europeo released on February 3, 1957, an interview with diplomat Alberto Perego, who had a nonphotographic UFO sighting in the Vatican City.

In order to better describe his visual observation he provided photomontages to this end (the magazine made it clear that that   what they were). This started a widely-reproduced mistake. There were previous sighting by Perego over Santa Maria Maggiore   church (Rome) on October 30, 1954 and these were also published in the same way.

The actual photos are available here: <http://fotocat.blogspot.com.au/> (in the 1954 photos section).

1953 - Paris, France, Eiffel Tower. Double discs are seen passing over Eiffel Tower at 3:45 AM, in 1953 as M. Paulin took this picture.

The photograph is from the Michael Mann collection and was published in TRUE Magazine at the time.

A very interesting photograph, and not a bad one considering the period, and the distance from the camera to the object. Look at the original image to see the two objects over the Tower.

1954 - Australia. This very compelling photograph of a clearly defined round UFO with a top and antenna was taken by sheep farmer W. C. Hall in 1954. If you look closely, you might see another unknown object in the distance just above a mountain.

An excellent photo, and for a newspaper clipping, it is in excellent condition.

Here is additional information provided by a reader:

August 1954 - Australian Sheep Grower W. C. Hall saw six petrol tank-shaped UFOs land on his ranch in North Queensland, Australia.

His chickens, cattle, and even the jackrabbits on his farm were affected by the oddly colored exhaust fumes of the UFOs, which he believed brought about a change in the genes of animal life on his ranch, due to Atomic Radiation, as various freaks were born afterward.

An update on the W.C. Hall case. This has always had me a bit perplexed because of the location i.e. North Queensland. The thing is in Australia that is not sheep country. After a fair bit of investigation, I have found out that this photo was actually taken in Victoria and first published in a magazine owned by Time.

1954 - Sicily, Italy, December 10. Four men are staring upward at two very odd shapes in the sky.

The photographer was questioned about his photograph, and he claimed that the objects were actually in the sky, as opposed to a film or camera anomaly, and that the objects simply stood still for several minutes.

1955 - Namur, Belgium - (1) Three photographs were taken on June 5, 1955, at about 07:30 PM, near Namur. The witness indicated that he had visually seen a sharp gleam moving high in the sky without any noise and at high speed. He indicated that the gleam accompanied an object of discoidal shape leaving a white trail behind it.

1955 - Namur, Belgium - (2) The second photograph was taken on June 5, 1955 in Namur. The witness continued by indicating that the object lost altitude, made a turn, and then went upwards to reach its trail. See the larger image to see the dimension of the clouds, and get perspective of the object's size. An excellent photo.

1955 - Namur, Belgium - (3) The third photograph was taken on June 5, 1955 in Namur. The witness continues by explaining that when the object joined its trail, the trail was dissipating, the UFO then accelerated and left, while luminous particles were ejected behind it.

Be sure to see the full-size image to appreciate the long trail behind the object and the dimension of the photo itself.

1956 - Rosetta/Natal, South Africa. July 17. These two photographs from South Africa were taken by alleged contactee Elizabeth Klarer. She claimed that she was impregnated by a tall, white-haired alien who piloted a UFO in one of her many contacts.

Almost unbelievably, MUFON representative Cynthia Hind who was Africa's most respected ufologist, found several eyewitnesses to her contact cases. Klarer was also... see file below.

1956 - Rosetta/Natal, South Africa. July 17... a well-respected member of South African society. Her husband was a major in the South African Air Force, and

Elizabeth worked for Air Force Intelligence.

Seven photographs were taken in all, two included here. There were also two witnesses to the taking of the photos.

Taken in the foothills of the Drakensberg Mountains, and so-dubbed the Drakensberg photos. If these are real, they are extremely impressive. She never changed her story. She died in 1994, at the age of 83.

1956 - Canada - A Royal Canadian Air Force pilot, while flying at an altitude of about 11 km saw and photographed a very bright, disc-like object that was remaining stationary near a thunderhead.

An analysis of the photograph suggests that it would have been radiating more than a gigawatt of power within the spectral range of the film.

At about 7:20 PM, MDT (about 20 minutes before sunset), on Aug. 27, 1956, a Royal Canadian Air Force pilot was flying nearly due west over the Canadian Rockies near Ft. Macleod, Alberta (49.5 degrees latitude, 113.5 degree longitude).

He was flying at 36,000 ft (about 11 m) in the second position (far left side) of a formation of four F-86 Sabre jet aircraft.

While approaching a large thunderhead (cumulonimbus) at a ground speed of about 400 kts (740 km/hr) he saw, at a much lower altitude, a "bright light which was sharply defined and disc-shaped" or "like a shiny silver dollar sitting horizontal."

Photograph © Childerhose - source-excerpted from article by Dr. Bruce Maccabee-
<http://brumac.8k.com/RJC/RJC.html>

Brazil

1956 - Summer, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. This clearly defined round disc was photographed by one A. Stizak. The photo was taken on a clear day.

If you look closely, you can see three white dots underneath. Its authenticity was confirmed by ICUFON director Colonel Colman VonKeviczky.

1957 - December - S. S. Ramsey. Taken in December 1957, by the radio officer aboard the naval ship S. S. Ramsey. It was seen on deck, hovering in the sky. The radio officer grabbed his camera and took this picture before the object disappeared. I think the picture was first published in Flying Saucer Review. I wrote to them twice in 1996 but never got a reply. photo © Life Magazine.

New Information Received in April, 2008:

I received the following information from Woods M.

"Here is the data inscribed on the back of the photo after he (Paul Cerny) gave it to me: 'Picture taken by a Naval Officer aboard the US. Navy ship-S. S. Ramsey-off Southern California in 1957.' (My copy of this photo is an 8" by 10" glossy enlargement.) 'The device at the base of the UFO (landing gear?) as shown in several other photos (that Paul had, and which I saw at KGO) - had rotated around the craft.'

'Paul gave no other explanation to me about the craft, but I am certain he had the sighting and the photos under investigation.'

'Although the photo I have is a reprint and an enlargement of the original, I doubt it was ever subjected to computer analysis, because the photo was taken during the 1950s about 45 years ago (in 2002). I also strongly doubt that the photo was computer generated, since that technology, as far as I know, did not exist then.'

Additional information was received on December 27, 2010.

Paul Cerney was Chairman of the San Francisco Bay Area Subcommittee of NICAP. I knew Paul and when I worked at KGO-TV, San Francisco, I invited him to appear on "The Golden Gate Story" which I produced on August 23, 1964 (Mel Swope directed).

Paul was an expert investigator. We broadcast this photo and at least one other photo from the sequence taken: the lower landing gear(?) rotated from shot to shot.

This information is from my historical records and is deemed correct.

Thanks,

Rev. B. Woods Mattingley

Additional Info Received on January 9, 2011.

I was going through your fine collection of UFO photos and came across one I believe is a well-known hoax that you imply in the description is legitimate.

The photo in question is one labeled S.S. Ramsey photo from 1957. I recall seeing this photo written up in Flying Saucer Review magazine, probably sometime in the mid to late sixties when I was a kid.

However, in the article, the man who supposedly took the photo was named T. Fogel and he admitted the photo was a hoax.

I would direct you to a statement made by noted UFO investigator Kevin Randle found at <http://kevinrandle.blogspot.com/2007/06/ufo-photo-hoaxes.html> in which he writes in June of 2007 that the Fogel admitted to the hoax.

In the larger photo he includes in the article you can see what appears to be a rod of some kind in the upper right corner of the photo, which was later cropped out of the picture. I am surprised you haven't uncovered this well-known hoax during your research.

Take care,

J. Allan Danelek

Author of UFOs: The Great Debate

1957 - Lake Isabella, California - Deemed authentic by Kodak Labs. This photograph was taken by one B.C. He and his fiancée were riding their Harley Davidson through the southern Sierra Nevadas, in what is now Lake Isabella, California.

They found an old dirt road that led down to the dry lake bed and they pulled off the main highway to take some random scenic shots. Neither of them saw anything out of the ordinary at the time.

1957 - Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico. Taken on October 16. This photo was taken by Ella Louise Fortune, a nurse at the Mescalero Indian Reservation near Three Rivers, N. M.

She took the picture while driving Highway 54 at about 1:30 PM. She stated that the UFO was motionless over Holloman AFB.

1957 - Edwards Air Force Base, California. Taken by a test pilot in September of 1957.

The UFO is following a B-57 twin jet. The UFO was not discovered until the

photograph was developed. An excellent photo for that period.

1957 - Fort Belvoir, Virginia - Taken in September. This photo was investigated by the Condon Report. A private was called from his barracks by his friends to see the unusual object. He grabbed his camera and took six pictures of the strange ring-shaped object. Soon, the object was engulfed in white smoke.

1957 - Norway - Taken in July of 1957, this photo was sent to Project Blue Book for analysis. Wright Patterson determined that what we are seeing is a reflection of light on the camera lens. That is easy enough to say, I suppose, but I am not sure that is the case here. Be sure to see the full-size image. Credit "UFOs at Close Sight."

Rouen, France, 1957. Flying to intercept a mysterious radar reflection, an unknown French Air Force pilot photographed this craft in March 1957 over Rouen with his gun-sight camera. The UFO paced the plane for several minutes before speeding off past the maximum velocity of the French airplane.

This UFO appears to be of the same type that appeared in McMinnville, Oregon, over the farm of Mr. Paul Trent. It was first published in the Royal Air Force Flying Review in July, 1957, and also in Flying Saucer Review in July, 1957.

1957-1958 - Edwards AFB. This photo is said to come from an "instructive film" of a UFO landing at Edwards AFB. The film is said to have been "leaked."

This film has been referred to by more than one person, including the late astronaut Gordon Cooper, who claims to have seen the entire event. He says that the film did exist, but we cannot be certain that this is from that film.

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1958 - January 16 - The Trinidad Island Photographs. Trindade is a small rocky island in the middle of the South Atlantic Ocean 600 miles off the coast of Bahia, Brazil. Professional photographer Almiro Barauna would take a sequence of pictures of this UFO off of a Naval vessel. More than 50 witnesses saw the UFO, including the ship's Captain. Some of the best-known early photos of a UFO.

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2011 - Budapest to London Flight Photo - In August I flew from Budapest to London when I made this photo.

More airplanes flew near us, so I did not see the object at the time I took the photograph. I just focused on the clouds and the wing. A few days later I noticed what is on the photo.

Camera - Canon EOS 400D DIGITAL; time/date stamp- 08-13-11, 9:07 AM

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2011 - Rome, Italy - 01-19-11 - The photographer stated: I am sending you two photos from my cell phone. Look at this very strange object that was over Rome, at 11:15 hour.

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2011 - Sydney to Melbourne, Australia Flight - 01-14-11 - While on a return flight from Sydney to Melbourne at around 9:00 AM, I decided to take a photo outside of the plane window to capture the clouds.

While placing the camera in a vertical position and looking through the preview screen, I noticed a ball shape appear a split second, just before I pressed the camera button and then it disappeared just as quickly. It did not fly away, it simply vanished.

Thatcher, Utah - 02-06-11

2011 - Thatcher, Utah - 02-06-11 - This was taken at dusk... my second to oldest

child noticed it, and came in and let me know about it. I grabbed my camera and was able to get this photograph just as it moved into the cloud. I have no idea what this could be. Two of my neighbors saw it also. We are having this happen a lot over the last week. I have no idea what it is. Any ideas?

Hazelton, Pennsylvania - 08-23-11

2011 - Hazelton, Pennsylvania - 08-23-11 - I did not witness this, but am reporting what a family friend saw. I received the pictures and interviewed the friend in great detail to put the report together. Our friend, about 15 minutes after experiencing the minor earthquake, went outside to look around and observed a black diamond-shaped object hovering or, moving very slowly in the sky.

Curious as to what the object was, the friend took a couple of pictures with a cell phone. Our friend isn't a great judge of distance, but believed the object was large and very high, probably at cloud level.

Ohio - 06-20-11

2011 - Ohio - 06-20-11 - Around 6 to 7 PM on June 20, 2011, I was taking photos of the pretty cloud formations on the deck of my cousin's home. Suddenly, I became aware of an object flying from west to east in front of me, about a mile or so away. It was above tree level. The bottom of the left side of the object seemed to be reflecting light, (which made me notice it). I thought the reflection was from sunlight, but the top part didn't seem to have the same reflection.

Manhattan, NYC - 09-17-11

2011 - Manhattan, NYC - 09-17-11 - The event occurred last Saturday 9-17-2011 in the early afternoon. I was taking digital photographs from the roof terrace of the new Museum located on Bowery in Manhattan's Lower East Side. I was shooting a series of images of the downtown Manhattan skyline to get some pictures of the Freedom tower construction. Because I had no tripod I was shooting at a very fast exposure rate 1/500th of a second. In addition, I was shooting in continuous mode at a frame rate of about 4 Frames per second.

I took my pictures and left the location. Last night upon looking at the images, I noticed a diamond-shaped object moving very close to the horizon in four frames of my images.

Canada - 09-17-11

2011 - Near Toronto, Canada - 09-17-11 - My name is Suzanne, and I am from Sudbury. My cousin Cindy, who is also from Sudbury, decided to bring her eldest son to Toronto for his birthday because he loves cheese and he wanted to visit Chucky Cheese.

On the way there, they estimate about 15 miles from the restaurant in Toronto, they were taking picture of all kinds of stuff, the kids in the car, outside, etc. Unknown to them, when they decided to look at the pictures on computer, they noticed two of the pictures had an unusual flying craft.

They said they did not see or notice anything out of the ordinary at the time.

Illinois - 11-01-10

2011 - Illinois - 11-01-10 - We were traveling north on I39 as we approached the Tonica exit, we noticed several objects, black against the evening sky, to the western horizon, presumed them to be helicopters, as we've seen a helicopter convoy through that area once before.

A few miles further on I had been watching this current convoy as far as we could before the terrain blocked them out. As we got off at the first LaSalle exit, heading north, I looked to the skies towards where the convoy would have been, and then an odd lighted object; higher, slightly closer, could be seen. Illinois - 11-01-10 I had my camera, and took a picture (picture 1) before losing sight of it as we descended into the valley. Did not see it anytime beyond that point in the daylight. Illinois - 11-01-10

Arizona - 06-16-10

2011 - Arizona - 06-16-10 - My wife and I were on our way home from Las Vegas, Nevada, after a bowling tournament. We drove, and then stopped to take some photographs of some interesting rock formations.

While I was snapping a photo, this object crossed my field of vision. It moved so fast that my camera was only able to capture a blurred object. You can clearly see it on the far left side of the photo. I heard no sound when the object flew by.

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The following UFO photos are from the archives of Lt. Col. Wendelle C. Stevens, and the accompanying details have been reproduced as close to the original sighting report as possible.

19 April 1978, Colfax, Wisconsin

On Wednesday 19 April 1978, Mr. S. (name withheld (sic) by specific request) and his girlfriend were driving in the vicinity of Tainter Lake, when they decided to stop and attempt some fishing since most of the ice was already thawed.

They found a spot along the shore where they could do some casting. Mr. S. had also brought along an FM portable radio. They had been at this spot for about a half an hour when the radio began picking up interference. It was then that Mr. S. looked up into the sky, thinking an airplane must be going over-head.

At that point the object "appeared" out of the southwest, moving northeast. He and his girlfriend became very excited and frightened. Remembering that they had a camera with them, (an Instamatic) Mr. S. went and got it to take some pictures. He almost dropped it several times trying to get it out of the case. He finally got it out and started to point it at the object when the object suddenly veered off course in their direction and came towards them. They became even more frightened but Mr. S. was determined to get a photograph of the thing!

At that point, the object began to circle them at a high altitude as Mr. S. began taking pictures. The object flew around the area only once and then disappeared into the sunlight. The whole incident lasted about 3 or 4 minutes.

Mr. S. was hesitant about showing anyone the photos because he was afraid of people thinking the wrong thing. He finally sent a UFO lecturer a copy after attending one of his slide lectures on the UFO subject.

Mr. S. was unable to determine the size of the object for lack of reference, or how fast it was moving. He did say, however, that it gave off a "crackling sound" as it passed around them.

From personal letter:

Photo #1: Shows the object moments after it veered off its original course. Mr. S. said it slowed down considerably after he took the first picture. He said he had "the feeling it knew it was being photographed".

Colfax UFO Photo #1 (credit: UFO Photo Archive)

UFO Photo Colfax, WI (credit: UFO Photo Archives)

Photo #2: The object is moving slower now as it begins to make its pass. At this point Mr. S. and girlfriend grew apprehensive. Both experienced extreme fear.

Colfax UFO Photo #2 (credit: UFO Photo Archive)

Colfax UFO Photo #2 (credit: UFO Photo Archive)

Photo #3: The object tilts as it begins a "roller coaster" type descent. Mr. S. and friend become increasingly frightened. He has the feeling it is going to "get them".

Colfax UFO Photo #3 (credit: UFO Photo Archive)

Colfax UFO Photo #3 (credit: UFO Photo Archive)

Photo #4: The object has leveled off and is just above the treetop height. It begins moving toward Mr. S. at a slow gliding pace. No sound comes from the object but Mr. S. remembers he left his transistor radio on and it is "buzzing" and "crackling like crazy".

Colfax UFO Photo #4 (credit: UFO Photo Archive)

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Photo #5: Mr. S. turns his camera sideways to get this shot of the object as it passes almost directly overhead. At this point Mr. S. experienced a sensation of "heat" as well as "prickling sensation" around and "in" his head and eyes, however Mr. S. stated that he experienced no permanent or temporary after-effects except a bad case of the "jitters". This shot was taken while Mr. S. was in a crouched position and remembers falling over on his back afterwards. He said he noticed an "amber or orange-red light" underneath in addition to several small lights which would blink on and off erratically for different lengths of time. (See Photograph) He also noticed 4 "pods" or "landing gear". The bottom appeared to be a "dull" black. The shock of falling backwards prevented him from taking any more pictures of the object as it continued overhead.

Colfax UFO Photo #5 (credit: UFO Photo Archive)
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Photo #6: The object has now climbed back up into the sky as Mr. S. shoots this picture.

Colfax UFO Photo #6 (credit: UFO Photo Archives)
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Photo #7: Shows the object heading into the sun. At this point it began to pick up speed and soon was lost in the sunlight. Mr. S. took 9 pictures in all, only these 7 turned out.

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 Operation Information Liberation Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 13:45:06 ID: f6c8b7 No.11205392>>11205471 >>11205500 >>11205550 >>11205648 >>11214502 [Watch Thread] [Show All Posts]
Operation Information Liberation
The online digital age has rendered institutionalized education obsolete and has left them exposed as the detriments to society that they have become. Colleges are no longer exist to educate, but to indoctrinate. And to add insult to injury, we're paying through the nose for the right to have our youth brainwashed against us by these narcissistic ingrates.
No More.
This is a project that, in time, will be cross-posted across numerous boards, platforms & media, taking participation from numerous communities with Truth being our guiding light and uniting purpose.
This project is designed to provide and highlight alternatives to mainstream universities, or at least offer an inoculation against the Marxist intellectual contagion perpetuated by these Institutions of Higher Indoctrination.
For the fields that can't just be done online, and require some sort of hard infrastructure, like a chemistry lab, we may want to consider utilizing, or copying the Maker Space route of community educational facilities.
<https://spaces.makerspace.com/>
We will need to find alternatives to accreditation.
This project will also need an accompanying meme campaign to get Normans, especially in the hiring class to associate a traditional college degree with risk. Risk that the person will be some sort of entitled SJW. Risk that they may file false sexual harrasment claims (Humungus). Risk that they may be incompetent at their job.
The Class of 2018 graduates in May. I imagine high-schools will be having college days, fliers, trips, speakers, recruiters, field days, etc throughout March and April. When that begins, I'd like to see this project ready enough to print out business cards with the links and downloads for all the resources and

content we'll be compiling.

Below is a compendium of resources I put together thus far.

<https://www.hooktube.com/watch?v=R30vrhrf9BQ> - Jack Otto - Forbidden Knowledge
<https://www.hooktube.com/watch?v=j800SveIS5I> - In Shadow - A Modern Oddesey
<https://www.hooktube.com/watch?v=PRdcZSuCpNo> - 7 Days of DeepMind A.I.
<https://www.hooktube.com/watch?v=cRuKmxQSPSw> - Dutch Banker Ronald Bernard - Interview
<https://www.hooktube.com/watch?v=sD33byzG2jc> - Behold a Pale Horse - AudioBook
https://www.hooktube.com/watch?v=VL_7nAIa0Cg - Bloodlines of Illuminate - AudioBook
<https://www.hooktube.com/watch?v=fj-10lIrboM> - Tool - Right In Two
<https://www.hooktube.com/watch?v=icAjo9VXKZU> - Protocol Of The Elders Of Zion
https://www.hooktube.com/watch?v=e0C_qG5U7pE - Black Ops, Cody Snodgres, Operator Comes Forward And Tells All

<https://www.hslda.org/laws> - US Home-Schooling Laws
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Student_rights_in_higher_education
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Open-source_curriculum
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_open_access_journals
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<https://www.campusexplorer.com/college-tips/5207A342/Guide-to-Online-Degrees-and-Online-Education>
<http://www.alternativestoschool.com/articles/list-democratic-schools-resource-centers/#resourcecenterslink>
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<https://www.alison.com/courses> - Massive Online Open Content Resource
<https://open.hpi.de/courses> - Massive Online Open Content Resource
<https://www.kadenze.com/courses> - Massive Online Open Content Resource
<https://core.ac.uk> - Open Access Research Paper Aggregator
<https://www.mooc-list.com> - Massive Online Open Course Resource
<https://www.khanacademy.org> - Free Online K-12 Courses
<https://www.coursera.org/courses> - Massive Online Open Content Resource
<http://www.coursmos.com> - Massive Online Open Content Resource
<https://www.open2study.com/courses> - Open Universities Australia
<http://www.openstax.org> - OpenStax Online Courses
<http://www.p2pu.org/en> - Free Global Online Courses
<https://www.doaj.org> - Directory of Open Access Journals
<http://www.opendoar.org/find.php> - Search Directory for Repositories
<http://www.saylor.org> - 200 Free Courses in 12 Majors
<http://www.plos.org> - Public Library of Science
<http://open.edu/openlearnworks> - UK's Open Library
<https://www.oncoursesystems.com/products/curriculum-builder> - On Course Systems (PAY)
<https://eric.ed.gov> - ERIC indexes a wide variety journal sources
<http://guides.lib.utexas.edu/az.php?id=121> - University Of Texas Libraries
<http://webcast.berkeley.edu> - Berkeley Webinars
http://studies.uoc.edu/en/all-courses#p_p_id_56_INSTANCE_np3Q_ - Open University of Catalan (Catalonian & Spanish)
<http://ocw.mit.edu> - MIT Open Course
<http://ocw.jhsph.edu> - John Hoskins School of Public Health
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<https://extension.harvard.edu/open-learning-initiative> - Harvard Open Classes
<http://open.umich.edu/education> - University of Michigan Open Courses
<http://galileo.usg.edu/guest> - Georgia's Virtual Library
<http://ocw.tufts.edu> - Tufts University Open Course Ware

<http://digital.library.pitt.edu/collections/A%2A> - University of Pittsburg Digital Collections
<https://www.edx.org> - Free Online Courses
<http://www.udacity.com> - Open Source Education
<http://www.knowledgeunlatched.org> - Book Publishing
<https://www.opendatainception.io> - Open Data Inception - 2600+ Open Data Portals Around the World
<http://www.oeconsortium.org> - Global Open Education Network
<http://www.academicearth.org> - Free Online Video Lectures
<http://www.oaspa.org> - Open Access Scholarly Publishers Association
<http://library.pitt.edu/archives-service-center> - Archives Service Center, University of Pittsburgh
<http://www.edutopia.org> - Edutopia George Lucas Educational Foundation
<http://www.oercommons.org> - Open Educational Resources
<https://www.ck12.org> - Personalized Digital Classrooms

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<http://www.bookboon.com> - Download Free Books
<http://www.fhsst.org> - Free High School Science Texts (South African)
<http://www.siyavula.com> - Online High-School Math and Science Practice
<http://www.oepscotland.org/resources/open-courses> - Opening Educational Practices in Scotland
<http://www.curriki.org> - Create, Share, & Explore High Quality K-12 Content
<http://www.ftacademy.org> - Free Technology Academy
<https://catalog.flatworldknowledge.com> - Affordable College Books
<https://www.wikiversity.org> - Wikiversity is a Center for the Use of Free Learning Materials
<http://www.wikieducator.org> - Online Community Project for Development of Learning Materials
<http://www.freeknowledge.eu> - Open Access Info
<http://www.selfproject.eu> - Free Software Hub
<http://plato.stanford.edu> - Stanford Philosophy Open Course
<https://www.icde.org/open-education-resources> - International Council for Open & Distance Education
<https://www.self-directed.org/resources> - Alliance For Self Directed Education (2018)
<https://www.udemy.com> - Affordable Courses (PAY)
<https://www.exploretel.org/collections/open-educational-resources> - Open Education Resources
<https://www.wiziq.com> - Massive Online Open Course (PAY)
<https://www.github.com/instructure/canvas-lms/wiki> - Canvas Open Content Downloader
<http://www.lamscommunity.org> - LAMS Community
<http://www.lamsfoundation.org> - LAMS
<http://www.wikiteach.org> - WikiTeach
<http://www.commoncurriculum.com> - Custom Curriculum
<http://www.oeconsortium.org> - Open Education Consortium
<https://www.opencurriculum.org> - Open Curriculum
<http://wiki.bssd.org> - Content Curriculum Project
<http://www.educcommons.com> - EduCommons Free Online Courses
<http://www.ftacademy.org> - Free Technology Academy
https://en.wikibooks.org/wiki/Peeragogy_Handbook_V1.0 - Peeragogy Handbook V1.0 Project
<http://globaltext.terry.uga.edu> - Global Text Education
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Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 14:12:33 ID: f6c8b7 No.11205445>>11205626 >>11211215

These are the sources and resources I've dug up over the night. I've been thinking about this for a week. This is a long Op, it has to be. The damage to the Millennial generation is mostly done. And already significant damage has been done to Gen Z, which is who we're all counting on to reverse the trend. We can not allow them to walk blindly into these fucking lunatic safe-spaces known as colleges.

This is a big job, I can't do it alone, I need as much help as you can muster, even if it's just a link or a suggestion.
Alt right, gentlemen, lets fuck this bitch!

Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 14:18:26 ID: 22e6d8 No.11205453

Can confirm modern education is a meme, a scam. It teaches close mindedness and

conformity to a collective insanity.

Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 14:34:39 ID: 7b2f5d No.11205469>>11212021
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This is an interesting idea. There would be metric shittons of backlash against it by the (((usual suspects))) should it ever gain traction. Good luck.

Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 14:35:11 ID: 0f9404 No.11205471
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>>11205392 (OP)

I like the idea, keep going. Modern education is not only full of (((counter-propaganda))) but incredibly lackluster in terms of useful content.

Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 14:44:17 ID: 9fec89 No.11205486
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https://www.hooktube.com/channel/UCG-fzkzsubdFQLvco0w5w_A - "- Timaeus -" - Wide Ranging History Channel
<https://www.hooktube.com/user/BrightAgrotechLLC> - Bright Agrotech Aquaponics - Alt-Ag Tech
<https://www.hooktube.com/watch?v=dpENi0T3Zeo&list=PLAPahqrfGZZmUNzrQV0ZwKjUrmqq-Stqh> - Aquaponics Academy Playlist
<https://www.hooktube.com/watch?v=KxTfQpv8xGA> - Polyface Farms - Sustainable & Organic Agriculture
https://www.hooktube.com/channel/UCbYFhcKSE2mWYB0yD_Qr_8A - Urban Gardener - Subsistence Alt-Ag For Cities
<https://www.hooktube.com/user/radmycology/videos> - Radical Mycology - Fungi, Mushrooms and Mycelium
<https://www.hooktube.com/user/seasteading> - Voluntary Seasteading Communities
<http://www.virology.ws/course> - Vincent Racaniello

Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 14:46:09 ID: 44ec67 No.11205488>>11205491 >>11205496
>>11205501 >>11206377
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Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 14:48:10 ID: 22e6d8 No.11205491>>11205495
>>11205488
Great contribution to the discussion, faggot.

Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 14:50:02 ID: 44ec67 No.11205495>>11205809
>>11205491
Consider yourself reported

Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 14:50:11 ID: 7b2f5d No.11205496
>>11205488
Why is that an issue here? Are you all falling for some Jew plot to keep the goy stupid or something? Education and understanding are linchpins to the advancement of the Western Civilization.
>Q: Who burns books?
>A: Oh yeah it's the Commies

Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 14:51:38 ID: 22e6d8 No.11205500>>11205502 >>11205504
>>11205392 (OP)
OP check out this thread. This giga-autist posted a wealth of resources for learning programming and math.
>>>/prog/3034

Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 14:51:50 ID: 9fec89 No.11205501

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>>11205488
Be gone shill!

▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 14:52:20 ID: f6c8b7 No.11205502
>>11205500
Much love!

▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 14:53:17 ID: 7b2f5d No.11205504
>>11205500
Neat thanks.

▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 14:54:22 ID: 3248eb No.11205506>>11205547
>Colleges are no longer exist to educate, but to indoctrinate.
>implying colleges educated in the first place
These hives were created first and foremost to mold slaves, saying otherwise shows how painfully new you are at this.

▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 14:55:30 ID: 50fa6f No.11205511>>11205518 >>11205524
>>11205547
The issue is not the availability of information. It is confirming mastery of an area of knowledge. Either you develop specific test regimes and deploy them at proctored sites or you employ subject experts who will audit/examine candidates. Otherwise you end up with idiots who don't know what they don't know. You should examine the current alternatives to regular education, such as the self-teaching collectives deployed in France, the Open University model, the various curated online learning environments that educational publishers are developing and identify how you can create course/ware that fits into this market.
Or continue with the autodidactic approach of /pol/ and /x/ and trust that autism will overcome.

▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 14:59:23 ID: 7b2f5d No.11205518
>>11205511
You seem upset but not too sure why actually. Would you mind posting a few links to the types of resources you recommend anon? I'm unfamiliar myself and I can imagine others may be as well. Thanks.

▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 15:02:40 ID: 9fec89 No.11205524
>>11205511
I came across some of that stuff last night. I'll be looking into more. Some of those avenues should have been listed in the link copy pasta. You familiar with any of those programs or providers?

▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 15:11:49 ID: 22e6d8 No.11205547>>11205717
>>11205506
If you look at the stuff from around 1950 and before they actually taught the importance of individual thought and critical thinking. That is the exact opposite of what they teach today.
Also browse through some very old school books to find that the stuff that used to be grade 5 level is today's highschool level.
>>11205511
I agree its a big issue if you don't get feedback and criticism from someone who really knows their stuff. You can end up learning bad habits that can't be easily corrected. That is why you should find some kind of study group. Also most text books have these practice tests and questions (with answers on the back). Problem is those only apply for sciences where there is a definite answer to every problem.

▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 15:13:48 ID: 8e1349 No.11205550
>>11205392 (OP)
I almost feel like this deserves a sticky.

▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 15:15:05 ID: c09a74 No.11205555>>11205559
Why don't we use their own tactics against them, much like the "It's okay to be White", and create something along the lines of accusing these institutions of "Christianphobia"?

I seriously cannot believe we haven't done this already but given how many Christians are in the country and given how freely the institutions kick around "Religion of Cuck™aphobia" I think doing the opposite would cause some serious issues for them as many of their big donors are Christian but continue to donate due to personal benefit. We make this happen and it will force those donors and alumni to stop doing it because they wouldn't want to be connected to that institution.

I just think we have to hit them with their own stupidity because, time and time again, once we do that they go ape shit, crumble and make our points for us/we don't have to do anything else. We just spark it and their innate craziness will do the rest.

▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 15:17:28 ID: 5961fa No.11205559>>11205567 >>11205569 >>11205555

We've tried already, quadsman. They've got an answer to that unfortunately: Reycism = Oppreshun + POWAH, therefore it's impossible to discriminate against whitey and the christians because they have all the POWAH, mang.

▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 15:20:09 ID: c09a74 No.11205567 >>11205559

Damn okay. Hmm, well one thing is absolutely certain and that is I have never seen a single example of an executive at a school who wasn't connected to some shady shit so maybe in this case we just have to go right down the list and expose them one by one. Would take a lot of work but it's an option.

▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 15:21:41 ID: 7b2f5d No.11205569>>11205616 >>11206042 >>11205559

Let the funds dry up and see how long that fallacy stands up in the minds of the white men running the institutions.

▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 15:51:52 ID: 51ce2e No.11205616>>11205637 >>11205569

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nice try

▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 15:58:50 ID: 22e6d8 No.11205625>>11205699
OP you should post this stuff on another board as well to preserve it.

▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 15:59:08 ID: 4190cb No.11205626>>11205699 >>11205445

Tremendous amount of work will be looking at it and get back to you Anon. So have a bump in the mean while.

Just a heads up /pol/ has had a couple of /pol/versity threads. It is always met with initial excitement which fizzles quickly. It is however a very important topic.

▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 16:06:14 ID: 7b2f5d No.11205637 >>11205616

First day on the job? -1 demerit for amateurish clumsiness. Back to the basics of your training friend.

▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 16:08:34 ID: b881ab No.11205648>>11205734 >>11205392 (OP)

>Colleges no longer exist to educate, but to indoctrinate.

no joke. im taking criminal justice and my last teacher was a kike (all of them are, surprise!) and a former Army intel officer. My current one this semester works with FBI (((counter-terrorism))). its a fucking joke. I throw libtard buzzwords into my homework like (((marginalized))) and (((equality))) just to get the A and avoid being discriminated against by these kikes.

Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 16:16:09 ID: 07f00c No.11205676>>11205706
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98fceed5d33201d6235b5fff8b...jpg) (h) (u)

For your endeavour to be met with positive response, truths about the current state of education in your locality must be shown and discussed both by prospecting students as well as jaded academics, the plethora of content will never be used if people do not come to the decision of seeking education by themselves instead of having it handed over to them.
Let them discover the truth by advocating meaning in their pursuits.

Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 16:24:43 ID: cd0409 No.11205699
>>11205626

Does anyone have the archives?

>>11205625

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/britfeel /india /kr /had /lippe /n /realnews /eternalarchive/
/liberty/newbrit /mgtow /thirdpositionist

Are the boards the seems relevant and friendly at first glance. Anyone know these boards much? I mostly lurk /pol/

Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 16:26:16 ID: cd0409 No.11205706
>>11205676

>For your endeavour to be met with positive response, truths about the current state of education in your locality must be shown and discussed both by prospecting students as well as jaded academics, the plethora of content will never be used if people do not come to the decision of seeking education by themselves instead of having it handed over to them.

>Let them discover the truth by advocating meaning in their pursuits.

Agreed. I plan to have the best of both arguments for the Holowhothefuckknows.
Let truth and Kek sort it out.

Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 16:27:17 ID: cd0409 No.11205707>>11205714
>>11205681

It gets evermore easier to see you out yourselves.

Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 16:30:59 ID: 53dc06 No.11205714>>11205718 >>11205721
>>11205707
Hi kike

Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 16:32:30 ID: cd0409 No.11205717>>11205735
>>11205547

Few months ago, I came across an estate sale, found some turn of the century school books on the cheap. Lit, Electrical, History, Math, and a few others. Anyone know a quick/easy/efficient method of copying them that's safe for the book outside of photographing every page? And if not, tips to maximize photo quality?

Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 16:33:03 ID: 22e6d8 No.11205718
>>11205681

>>11205714

>free education

>without indoctrination

SHUT IT DOWN

Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 16:34:08 ID: cd0409 No.11205721
>>11205714

That's KKKike to you, Finklestein

Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 16:39:21 ID: 4190cb No.11205734
>>11205648

My prof for constitutional law was a antisemitic genius who looked like the

smallest most unassuming man on earth. Redpilling everyone with half a brain while keeping himself from being "incriminated" not often you find genuine genius types in law or humanities in this day and age.

▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 16:39:35 ID: 7b2f5d No.11205735>>11205787 >>11205805
>>11205717

There are scanning services available that will scan entire books for you. A) While they are relatively economical, they aren't free and B) as I understand it, they must cut the book bindings for their process work economically.

▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 16:45:33 ID: 4190cb No.11205744
>>11205681
>>11205738

What is your goddamn point?

▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 16:46:34 ID: 7b2f5d No.11205751
Why are shills – particularly female shills – easy to spot these days? Do they simply have no pride in their work? Is this the smell of Soros' death-rattle money burning?

▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 16:59:45 ID: f6c8b7 No.11205787
>>11205735
Photos it is! These are my EMP civ rebuilder tech hard copies!

▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 17:02:26 ID: 9fec89 No.11205805
>>11205735
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▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 17:04:39 ID: 0fa402 No.11205809
>>11205495
And you can consider yourself deported

▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 17:11:19 ID: 8c0edc No.11205829
>>11205817
Are you seriously mentally challenged?

▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 17:17:32 ID: 0ff2e4 No.11205846>>11211215
Mediawiki is a better platform but this is a great start OP. I have a personal wiki at home on an ancient pc, Wikipedia is kiked but the software is great.

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▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 17:20:13 ID: 5c3df4 No.11205855
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▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 18:22:54 ID: 9fec89 No.11206015
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Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 18:31:46 ID: ce7815 No.11206042>>11211625
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white...png) (h) (u)

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>the white men running the institutions
>white men

Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 20:08:35 ID: f6c8b7 No.11206260
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Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 20:10:00 ID: 9fec89 No.11206264>>11211203
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Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 20:51:57 ID: 000000 No.11206377>>11206407 >>11206535

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 Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 21:03:46 ID: 9fec89 No.11206407
>>11206377
Thank you!

 Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 21:41:58 ID: 000000 No.11206535
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dropbox.com/sh/ye3luk78eaav49w/AABa3R_odaoIvgLV33aRx_Fia?dl=0&lst=1000
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 Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 21:53:48 ID: 7a2e9f No.11206575

this is information overload. This is why college was invented in the first place. fug

▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 22:42:46 ID: 77bd94 No.11206688>>11206796
This is a terrible idea, children need structure you fucking retards.

▣ Anonymous 01/30/18 (Tue) 23:32:20 ID: 9fec89 No.11206796
>>11206688
Which comes from the family. School is there for knowledge, not as a glorified babysitter.

▣ Anonymous 01/31/18 (Wed) 05:59:14 ID: 6c74b1 No.11210976>>11214591
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Could LibreTexts have any use for the operation, or at least serve as some sort of guideline for what we can accomplish with this?
<http://libretexts.org>

▣ Standard rules on book collecting Anonymous 01/31/18 (Wed) 07:39:32 ID: 2ef4d4 No.11211203>>11211215
>>11206264
>>11206377
>All these earlobe spacings
The Categorization Of Books
1. Create a "primer" list of three to twelve books that all people should read for understanding anything.
2. Create branches and progressions from the primer for book sets in regards to different topics.
3. Create reference lists that are necessary for quotation but not for understanding topics.
The Building Of The Book Lists
1. The list of books shall be stored in a Markdown file, with indentations, bullet points and hyperlinks.
2. For ease of sharing, each book and book list shall be complemented with an IPFS address for file sharing.
3. For mass adoption, each book list shall be complemented with a magnet link or a link to torrent files.
4. When making a book list image, make sure there is an SVG file for ease of updating.

▣ Anonymous 01/31/18 (Wed) 07:44:47 ID: 2ef4d4 No.11211215
>>11205846
See >>11211203
https://infogalactic.com/info/Main_Page (neutral ground)
https://en.metapedia.org/wiki/Main_Page (don't know where the mods are)
http://thisisvideogames.com/gamergatewiki/index.php?title=Main_Page (populate it if you wish)
>>11206377
Nice list
>>11205445
That's the spirit!

▣ Anonymous 01/31/18 (Wed) 07:48:12 ID: 2e708e No.11211222>>11211235
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Every student needs an understanding of Basic Economics.
<http://www.altfeldinc.com/pdfs/InternationalEconomics101.pdf> This book has plenty examples of the failures of a communist/socialist system and the benefits of the free market. I hated dirty communist going into this book; now I have to refrain from spitting upon those who hold their ideas in public.

▣ sage sage 01/31/18 (Wed) 07:53:44 ID: 2e708e No.11211235

>>11211222

not the full pdf myb look it up yourself. It's worth the time. The book has plenty examples of starving Soviets in Russia while the Ukraine lets wheat rot in storehouses etc.

▣ Anonymous 01/31/18 (Wed) 09:32:40 ID: 2ef4d4 No.11211389

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▣ Anonymous 01/31/18 (Wed) 11:05:47 ID: b8aae6 No.11211511>>11211799

Mods, can we have this stickied please?

▣ Anonymous 01/31/18 (Wed) 12:09:47 ID: 7b2f5d No.11211625

>>11206042

I didn't say their puppet masters, I said the white men.

▣ Anonymous 01/31/18 (Wed) 14:00:40 ID: 5ab532 No.11211799>>11212016 >>11212606

>>11211511

There's only a veneer of organization to this dump, it's not sticky-ready. You don't just dump a library in someone's lap and expect them to go through all of it. People learn by having a question and then looking for the answer. The problem is that most people don't even know where to begin looking or of whom to ask the question, or how to discern truth from lies. A proper beginner anti-disinformation course is where everyone should begin, so people can learn the basics to navigating the mountains of lies and bullshit in order to find the truth. Autismally absorbing everything only works for the hardest core autists, and it's worthless to most of them because they never learned to properly discern things or put them in context.

If you really want to organize an information hub, start with basic logic and self awareness, being able to separate lies from facts. The intel primer has many links which are useful for this.

Next, address the basic needs like obtaining appropriate food, shelter, water, clothing, hygiene, and do it in the most concise, simple and basic ways while simultaneously refuting the most common disinformation. The basics should be able to be covered in about two hours. As a side branch, include survival skills and basic things that people used to learn in Scouting or Hitler Jugend. Fieldcraft/woodcraft, knots, snares, shelter making, tool-making, survival in different climates and situations, clothing-making, etc. But those deep survival skills (although useful) aren't really needed to survive in the modern world.

The next thing to do is reproduce the "classical education" where people learn the history, stories and values of the West in order to round them out as citizens.

Once people have the ability to think for themselves and maintain themselves, then you can start taking them further into mathematics, science, information theory, economics, etc.

The key to everything is organization and structure. You can't drown people in information and just vainly hope they'll start learning. Even if you have a very well structured, in-depth course, have fun trying to advertise it and get people to start using it. The life of the average person is so micro-managed by the kikes that they scarcely have a thin minute to themselves, and whatever recreational or free time they have is usually spent anaesthetising themselves from the horrors and cognitive dissonance of the modern world. Trying to use this approach to make people better outside of the established education system, in a world where people's lives don't accomodate self-learning or free time at all in general outside of NEETs means you'll be fighting an uphill battle the entire time, and that's why the smarter /pol/acks use memes to educate normalfags instead. It's just more effective.

▣ Anonymous 01/31/18 (Wed) 15:40:40 ID: 7b2f5d No.11212016>>11213335

>>11211799

Good advice anon, thanks. Discouraging, but good.

▣ Anonymous 01/31/18 (Wed) 15:42:19 ID: 1bd9e1 No.11212021

>>11205469

Imagine when memos like this become common place.

▣ Anonymous 01/31/18 (Wed) 18:08:58 ID: 3240e6 No.11212545

This is a wonderful thread. Im in support of Abandonning Indoctrination camps known as the American school system. American school system led by the federal goverment harms our children more than anything else in this world.

▣ Anonymous 01/31/18 (Wed) 18:26:03 ID: 9fec89 No.11212606

>>11211799

True. This is still in the begining stages of attaining and sorting the info so that when it is needed, it's ready and there.

▣ Anonymous 01/31/18 (Wed) 21:34:18 ID: e6096b No.11213335>>11214475

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>>11212016

It's one of the main reason "dump x" template threads are disallowed here. Having trash piles on the board is unhelpful at best, and at worst they become hives of disinformation and namefagging.

▣ Anonymous 02/01/18 (Thu) 02:43:39 ID: 7b2f5d No.11214475

>>11213335

Hmmm. Makes sense to a degree I suppose. Still I consider the idea that pretending to 'maintain aesthetic purity' by removing a thread attempting to organize information together for anons to be nothing short of Commie book burning. I hope these anons can organize something useful here, it's certainly a pressing need for our culture to eliminate these kike hives of mass indoctrination our higher education systems have become.

▣ Anonymous 02/01/18 (Thu) 02:53:58 ID: 69448f No.11214502

>>11205392 (OP)

this is awesome. good work

▣ Anonymous 02/01/18 (Thu) 03:17:05 ID: f6c8b7 No.11214591

>>11210976

I LIKE BIG BERWKS AND I CAN NOT LIE!!!

This is excellent.

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Almost every single bible, in every single language, every single version well structured in a sqlite database.

Regardless if you are religious or not (i am not), i think something like this deserves to be archived, especially considering that it is just 3.1GB. It also makes a nice dataset for other things, so it has multiple applications.

The original description is as follows:

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Almost every single Bible in the world

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What an interesting and valuable find. Regardless of how one feels about the Bible religiously, it is an important ancient document worth "hoarding." Great artists throughout history from Shakespeare to George Lucas and many in between have taken inspiration from it. Not to mention its significance to history and law.

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The Bible, in a vacuum, does bring multiple lessons and knowledge upon which to seek a better life and spiritual enlightenment, though our flaws as humans may keep us from exercising or understanding them correctly, that's the creeping corruption that made religion crumble to today. If you read the Bible on your own and decide to apply its principles on yourself, you'll end up becoming more than you once were and possibly more virtuous in mind. It too does apply to the Qur'an, the Torah and the Buddhist lectures

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u/binarycow avatar

binarycow

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4y ago

I view the Bible as three components, which just happened to be interleaved throughout the book.

Religion

Morality

History lesson

The religious part is stuff like "Jesus is the son of God."

The 'history lesson' part is the stuff that is largely accurate - the events did happen, etc.

The morality parts include different types of morality.

religious morality, such as "Thou shalt have no other gods before me"

social morality such as "Thou shalt not commit adultery".

health morality such as Deuteronomy 14:8-10 which basically says "don't eat pigs". These should be evaluated in the context of our current health practices, and followed if they're still relevant.

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u/Nyakogator avatar

Nyakogator

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4y ago

Sounds very cyberpunk. `SELECT Jesus FROM book ORDER BY birthday DESC;`

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helen_ripley

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4y ago

I am an ex-vangelical who was raised with it and left on my own. One of my biggest challenges in discussions with my family and religious folks in general is their (selectively) literal interpretations of the Bible. I want them to think about how language changes meaning based on context, and how there could literally be 25 completely different ways to interpret a verse and we'd never know the "real meaning" because none of us can read ancient Hebrew, let alone interpret ancient Hebrew that was translated into 100 different languages at different times in history when words could mean something totally different. It's the most advanced game of written Telephone.

Anyway sorry for the tangent, I think this will be helpful to me.

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Papalok

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4y ago

It's a much bigger mess than that.

It's a collection of different authors each who would have had their own intent.

In order to preserve a text, it would have had to have been hand copied. This would have introduced changes, errors, and mistakes.

Each copy of a text would have been copied, introducing more changes and conflicting changes as each one of these copies went out into the world.

Originals would have been destroyed. Why would someone keep the original when there is a "perfectly good" copy?

Scribes and priests would have made changes to older texts over time. Some to try and correct errors which could introduce new errors if they were wrong. Some because what those older texts said were a little problematic for their current belief structure.

The belief structure changed over time.

There were texts that were influential in their time but are no longer considered canon, e.g. the Books of Enoch.

Then there's the effect of cultural exchange. The Jews weren't living in isolation. They had Syrians, Persians, Babylonians, Hittites, Egyptians, Greeks, Romans, plus a whole host of other cultures influencing theirs. For example, there are similarities in the Babylonian creation story and flood story.

It's a fascinating knot to untangle.

If it's something you're interested in Dr. Bart Ehrman has a whole collection of books and talks that are approachable to the layperson. He's a respected Biblical historian and college professor. He's been invited to talk to groups that run the spectrum, from atheist and skeptics all way the to seminary colleges, christian conferences, and churches.

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u/zegrep avatar

zegrep

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4y ago

Addressing the text, the method by which the New Testament was transmitted (multiple copies quickly spreading over multiple generations, thanks in part to

persecution and political upheaval) was practically designed to ensure that it would be possible to carry out error detection and correction (textual scholarship), even millennia later. To this day, new scientific advances (eg. high-resolution x-ray imaging) continue to enable researchers to read and authenticate a wider range of manuscripts in increasingly delicate condition. Bart Ehrman has sold a lot of books, but he hasn't been able to meaningfully address the best arguments of scholars that disagree with his radically skeptical positions.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5K-A0fj1Ayg>

Note that there's essentially no debate about the textual reliability of the Old Testament (Tanakh).

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helen_ripley

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4y ago

I am interested! Thank you for the resource rec. Funnily enough, it was art history classes (I was an art major in college) that really opened my eyes about the (un)reliability of the Bible.

Naturally, my family believes I was "brainwashed by that liberal college," -- as if I sat there and a professor flatly told me everything I knew was wrong and that magically undid the religious brainwashing I had already gotten from them -- but in reality I had already had my reservations about the Church since I was a young child.

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1 more reply

u/DocWatson42 avatar

DocWatson42

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4y ago

ex-vangelical

<chuckles> I was unfamiliar with the term.

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u/Pilgorepax avatar

Pilgorepax

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4y ago

The Vulgate is the OG text which St. Jerome translated scriptures from Greek, Aramaic and Hebrew into Latin in the 4th century and created what we know as the Bible, probably in some cave near Croatia. I'll be grabbing this data for sure.

I feel like evangelicals go about trying to read the "sign of the times" in a messy way. I'm Catholic, and our interpretation of scripture is based on tradition and historical learning i.e the interpretation of scripture by Church Fathers and Mothers, and theologians throughout the centuries. Of course we also try to mindfully interpret scripture alongside our modern world.

We have a foundation for interpretation to start from. Instead of solely interpreting scripture based on personal interpretation (sola scriptura meaning "by faith alone" is a big component of this), we interpret it as a community. We consider tradition and scripture, in a sense, to be on equal footing with regards to scriptural interpretation. We don't try to re-evolve what past theologians have said or wrote, we try to envision what they've taught and acclimatize that to the 21st century, while also recognizing the meaning of scripture within our own environment.

You could say that St. Jerome was a data hoarder. (fun fact, St. Isidore of

Seville is the patron saint of students, the internet and programmers).

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u/Franz32 avatar

Franz32

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4y ago

I named my data hoarding server after St. Isidore of Seville!

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12 more replies

u/geniice avatar

geniice

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4y ago

Does it include the complete Orthodox Tewahedo bible? Some of that isn't very available.

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4y ago

Unfortunately not. Sorry. I think we should actually start a project to extend this thing.

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2 more replies

mxhmid

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4y ago

Nice find.

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Con_Dinn_West

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4y ago

https://nnty.fun/downloads/other/giant_bible_db_v1_0_0_4chad/

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u/ninturez0_ avatar

ninturez0_

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4y ago

oh yeah, my website is going to get posted here a lot

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1 more reply

whistlebug23

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4y ago

Can't wait to run some GPT-2 against this. New religion, anyone?

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KingBelial

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4y ago

Even as an athiest. I appreciate this. One of my fav books is a bible left to me

by my great aunt. Pre James left side is Aramaic right side is english and hebrew. It's interesting to see how it has mutated. As it has been a major influence on society.

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2 more replies

u/casino_alcohol avatar

casino_alcohol

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4y ago

How would you access this data? To interface and read it?

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u/fazzah avatar

fazzah

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4y ago

sqliteadmin for starters, or any software that uses SQL and has sqlite drivers

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Camo138

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4y ago

That is totally worth the hoard will download tonight

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andygrace70

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4y ago

As an atheist I think this is just great. It's an important historical record, but it's good even just in the context of how language and translation has evolved over time. Great work.

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4y ago

Can we trust links generated and published on 4chan?

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20 more replies

SimonKepp

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4y ago

I'm an atheist myself, but still consider the Bible one of the most important books in the world, due to the value ascribed to it by so many people.

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u/Judman13 avatar

Judman13

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Done! Thanks for an esoteric hoarder gem!

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u/fowlfeet avatar

fowlfeet

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4y ago

Does it have RSVCE?

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4y ago

What is RSVCE? A specific bible?

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u/gabefair avatar

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4y ago

FUUUUUUUCK YES! I've been wanting this for years. Just last week I was thinking about finally getting around to looking for all these sources!!

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4y ago

It is not every single one. But most of them. So there is still a tiny gap.

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u/restlessmonkey avatar

restlessmonkey

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4y ago

So did anyone find nasties in it? Just want to make sure since it was from 4chan. Thanks.

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u/issungee avatar

issungee

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4y ago

There is an entire board just for torrents on 4chan and I have frequented it for years without getting a single nasty, remember its just an sqlite database and you can inspect the files in the torrent before downloading.

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3 more replies

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u/BunnyHelp12 avatar

BunnyHelp12

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4y ago

Is the apocrypha included? Things like the Book of Enoch, Gospel of Thomas or Gospel of Judas?

A lot of those kinds of ancient "non-cannon" books are the most interesting, IMO. Would be a shame if they were left out

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4y ago

Some of them are included! Apocrypha and deutro-something are in there!

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How get?

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SoneEv

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4y ago

This is a magnet torrent link. Install a Torrent client and copy the link into your client to download

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Crypt1cMayh3m

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4y ago

It's a torrent magnet link. Copy the text starting with magnet:, paste it into the address bar of your web browser, and press ENTER. You should be prompted to open the torrent with your default torrent client.

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Bagline

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4y ago

Lordb14me

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4y ago

How does one open it?

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u/Mindless-Self avatar

Mindless-Self

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4y ago

"originally found on 4chan"

But, of course. Ha!

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PinBot1138

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4y ago

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4y ago
liamcoded

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4y ago
Every single language? Romani? Sumerian? Ottoman Turkish? Akkadian? Bosnian from 1300s? I think not.

Edit - should have put "jk"

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4y ago
The latin vulgate is in there though.

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4y ago
Actually... there's a good chance every alive language tho with like a even slightly large population, just be glad you aren't Muslim and forced to learn the original language

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No_Bit_1456

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4y ago
Now how many of them reference UFOs? lol

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4y ago
Does it have any duetero-canon?

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4y ago
Some of them do.

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4y ago
To bad its all nonsense, just a weird shroom sect.

Eat the bread, kids

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alexaxl

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4y ago
I'd get a copy just to find common overlaps and conflicts between the variants and their interpretations.

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4y ago

If you click on the 4chan link scroll down a bit, you find someone who posted a sql query that shows a specific verse of every version of the bible in english. Just swap out the book and verse to compare.

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u/Fiach_Dubh avatar

Fiach_Dubh

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4y ago

Cool

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4y ago

Awesome find, thank you!

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nightcom

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4y ago

I'm archiving it

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tomhung

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4y ago

I wonder if Thomas Jefferson's version of the NT in the hoard. He removed all the miracles and left the morals of Jesus the philosopher. Jefferson's manuscript was found in his things after he died. He probably would have never published it.

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4y ago

Some have the words 'NT' in there name. I don't know about Thomas Jefferson's NT specifically. Download it and check it out!

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4y ago

Hi, total newb here, how do I DL this?

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4y ago

If you are on windows, download transmission. Then install it. Open it up and go to file > open url. Then copy and paste that long gibberish that starts with 'magnet:'. Then just click open. A new window should pop up, just click download and wait for it to finish.

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5 more replies
u/muravieri avatar
muravieri

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is it already compressed?

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4y ago
TJonesyNinja

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4y ago
Once used a database very similar to this to make an android app that would show two different languages or translations of the Bible side by side.

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4y ago
Where on earth do people find databases with bibles in them? I had to go to the internet's asscrack (4chan) and by chance i found it. Did you scrape a website? Manually typed it in from a physical bible?

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Now seeding till I decide to turn my laptop off

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r/sqlite - SQLCipher/SQLite Diff tool

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What if instead of having a file system, it was just an SQL database?

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Cppscript: A C++-like language compiling to TypeScript, aiming for production readiness (also my PhD project!)

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r/programminghorror

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who needs variables when you have the filesystem

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r/sqlite

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sirelagnithgin
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Simon Necronomicon https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Simon_Necronomicon (YES, I KNOW THIS ISN'T ANCIENT - I'D LIKE TO READ IT ALL THE SAME)

The Prodigies Of Egypt <https://www.amazon.com/Prodigies-Egypt-Murtada-ibn-al-Afif/dp/1515177955>

Akhbar Al Zaman (mentioned in The Prodigies of Egypt) The History of Time

The Book of the Son go Gnosis and the subtitles of elevated things.
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shams_al-Ma%27arif

If you were able to link me to them, i'd be eternally grateful. Also, feel free to let me know about your experiences or chat about any of these books.

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Simon Necronomicon

Man, if 1977 is ANCIENT then I feel really old.

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u/RichardActon avatar
RichardActon

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feel rather that you are timeless, eternal

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sirelagnithgin
OP

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YES!

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Sorry, realize that's not ancient -- I'd like it all the same

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ChuckEye

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It's \$7 on Amazon.

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u/MaxDark69 avatar

MaxDark69

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The Simon Necronomicon is neither ancient, nor real...

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ChuckEye

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But it was real edgelord stuff when I bought my paperback copy at B. Dalton's in the mall in the early 80's during the satanic panic. :^)

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u/howardphillips1890 avatar

howardphillips1890

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7y ago

Same. Back then it seemed like Simon, LaVey, Barrett, and Crowley were all there was. But if it weren't for them I never would've ended up where I am now.

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sirelagnithgin

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7y ago

Yes I know

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u/boyunderthebelljar avatar

boyunderthebelljar

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7y ago

Check out the UK Publisher, 'Forgotten Books,' I stumbled upon them recently & is my first go-to for any searches of original texts and the inherent translations

<https://www.forgottenbooks.com/en>

If its not there....head to the Holy Grail of all ancient texts & closest thing we have to the Library of Alexandria itself IMO.....the Vatican Library's digital archive

<https://digi.vatlib.it/>

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u/thenegativehunter avatar

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this torrent library contains Simon Necronomicon

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Trying so hard is the surest sign of a novice.

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sirelagnithgin

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A novice what? I'm reading these for educational purposes... I enjoy reading this stuff... I don't genuinely believe I can use this for some ridiculous black magic ritual - purely mining for story.

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Simon Necronomicon

Author Peter Levenda

Language English

Publisher Avon Books

Publication date 1977–1980

Publication place United States

Media type Print

Pages 288

ISBN 978-0380751921

The Simon Necronomicon is a grimoire attributed to "Simon", allegedly a pseudonym of writer Peter Levenda. Materials presented in the book are a blend of ancient Middle Eastern elements, with allusions to the writings of H. P. Lovecraft and Aleister Crowley, woven together with a story about a man known as the "Mad Arab".

The book was released in 1977 by Schlangekraft, Inc. in a limited edition hardback printing, followed by a paperback release by Avon Books, and a subsequent paperback release by Bantam Books.

Simon's introduction

The introduction to the book (comprising about 80 pages of a total of 263) is the only part that Simon claims to have written. It relates how Simon and his associates were introduced to a Greek translation of the Necronomicon by a mysterious monk. Simon claims that after experimenting with the text, they verified that the work is a genuine collection of magical rituals that predates most known religions, and warns that anyone attempting to use the Necronomicon may "unleash dangerous forces". The introduction attempts to establish links between H. P. Lovecraft, Aleister Crowley and ancient mythology (including Sumerian, Babylonian, Assyrian, and Chaldean myths and rituals), and draw parallels to other religions (such as Christianity, Wicca, Satanism and Hebrew Mythology). Some of the discussion is based on a supposed connection between Crowley and Lovecraft first espoused by Kenneth Grant.

"The Testimony of the Mad Arab"

In addition to an introduction, the book uses a frame story titled "The Testimony of the Mad Arab". The "Testimony" is in two parts, forming a prologue and an epilogue to the core Necronomicon. The author describes himself as a "Mad Arab".

The prologue explains how the Arab first came to discover the dark secrets that he is recording, accidentally witnessing an arcane ritual performed by a cult that worships Tiamat, in which both the demons Kutulu and Humwawa are conjured.

In the epilogue, the Mad Arab is haunted by premonitions of his gruesome death. He realizes that the horrors of the Necronomicon are enraged and seek revenge

upon him for revealing their existence to the world. The text is littered with non sequiturs and arcane incantations, presented as indication of his unstable mental state and his desire to protect himself from perceived danger. He is unable to sign his work, and thus remains nameless.

Magic

Much of the book is a collection of magic rituals and conjurations. Many incantations and seals are described. Most of these are intended to ward off evil or to invoke the Elder Gods to one's aid. Some of them are curses to be used against one's enemies. The incantations are written in a mixture of English and more ancient languages, with a few possible misspellings in the romanization of the archaic words. There are also several words that do not appear to be from any known language.

The many magical seals in the book pertain to particular gods and demons, and are used when invoking or summoning the entity with which each is associated. In some cases there are specific instructions on how to inscribe the seals and amulets, including the materials that should be used and the time of day for their creation; in other cases, only the seal itself is given.

For some rituals, the book mentions that sacrifices should be offered. One ritual in particular describes a human sacrifice of 11 men, needed to enchant a knife that can summon Tiamat (pp. 160–161).

Both the introduction and the book's marketing make sensational claims for the book's magical power. The back blurb claims it is "the most potent and potentially, the most dangerous Black Book known to the Western World," and that its rituals will bring "beings and monsters" into "physical appearance". The book's introduction gives readers frequent warnings that the powers it contains are potentially life-threatening, and that perfect mental health is needed; otherwise the book is extremely dangerous. It claims a curse afflicted those who helped publish the book. It also claims that the Golden Dawn methods of magical banishing will not work on the entities in this book.

Textual authenticity

According to one book on the topic, *The Necronomicon Files*, several portions of the *Necronomicon* bear striking similarities to other works mentioned in its bibliography, such as R. C. Thompson's *The Devils and Evil Spirits of Babylonia* and James B. Pritchard's *Ancient Near Eastern Texts Relating to the Old Testament* – to an extent that it appears unlikely that separate translations could have arrived at the same result.[1] In addition, two members of the *Magickal Childe* scene, Khem Caigan (the *Necronomicon*'s illustrator) and Alan Cabal, an American occultist, have independently stated that the book was widely known as a hoax in the local occult community and references Peter Levenda as the author.[2]

Owen Davies calls *Simon Necronomicon* "a well-constructed hoax", [3] but adds that making a grimoire by stitching together material from previous sources is a well-worn motif in grimoire history, and that "it is their falsity that makes them genuine." The same thing is pointed out by Dan Clore who writes [4] that the hoax *Necronomicons* are every bit as "authentic" as the *Lesser Key of Solomon* or the *Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.

Accusations of black magic and connections to murder

The book was featured as courtroom evidence in the murder trial of Rod Ferrell, with suggestions that it played a part in Satanic human sacrifices. Ferrell, it is claimed, used the book during cult rituals.[5]

Dead Names

In 2006, Avon published *Simon's Dead Names: The Dark History of the Necronomicon* (ISBN 0-06-078704-X), in which he details the history of the *Necronomicon* and attacks his critics who claim the book is a hoax. The book's conclusions are considered suspect by his critics.[6]

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Shams al-Ma'arif (The Book of the Sun of Gnosis)

The introduction of the Book A manuscript copy, beginning of 17th century

Author Ahmad al-Buni (traditional attribution, possibly pseudepigrapha)

Language Arabic

Genre Occult treatise, Grimoire

OCLC 20121408

LC Class BF1771 .B8 Arab

Shams al-Ma'arif or Shams al-Ma'arif wa Lata'if al-'Awarif[a] is a grimoire

centered on Arabic magic. It is claimed to be a manual for achieving esoteric spirituality. The work is included within the larger compilation *Shams al-ma'arif al-kubrā*, which is also known as the "*Shams al-Ma'arif*". Although widely attributed to the 13th century North African Sufi scholar Ahmad al-Buni, his authorship of the text is disputed and has been argued to be pseudepigraphic (falsely attributed).[1] The *Shams al-ma'arif al-kubrā* is a compilation work of a number of different authors, including some authentic work from al-Buni.[1][2] While being popular, it also carries a notorious reputation for being suppressed and banned for much of Islamic history.[3]

History

The authorship of the *Shams al-Ma'arif wa Lata'if al-'Awarif* was historically attributed to the North African late 12th- early 13th century Sufi scholar Ahmad al-Buni who purportedly wrote it while living in Central Maghreb (modern-day Algeria); he died around 1225 CE (622 AH).[4] However, Buni's authorship of the work is disputed. It has been suggested that another text, also known as the *Shams al-Ma'arif* found in the National Library of Damascus represents an authentic work of al-Buni, but it is very different from the more famous text of the same name, focusing on cosmology rather than magic, and works undoubtedly authored by al-Buni do not focus on magic, with the exception of *Laṭā'if al-ishārāt* briefly mentioning esoteric properties of Arabic letters. Jean-Charles Coulon has argued that *Shams al-Ma'arif wa Lata'if al-'Awarif* cannot be an authentic work of al-Buni due to the presence of anachronisms within the text that are inconsistent with al-Buni's known authentic works, thus making it pseudepigrapha. Coulon argues that the work is part of a "*corpus Buniam*" of authors working in the tradition of al-Buni, some of which was falsely attributed to al-Buni himself. Al-Buni's reputation for esoteric magic was later further enhanced by the 15th century Ottoman scholar Abd al-Rahman ibn Muhammad al-Bistami, who extensively commented on Buni's works, with a particular focus of al-Bistami being instructions for creating magical amulets and talismans. This was later followed by the composition of the expansive compilation work *Shams al-ma'arif al-kubrā* containing the *Shams al-Ma'arif wa Lata'if al-'Awarif* as well as other esoteric magic works including those by al-Biṣṭāmī', alongside authentic texts by al-Buni himself, which circulated in elite circles of the Ottoman Empire.[1]

Scholars like Ibn Taymiyya have criticized the book and labeled the author, Al-Buni, as a deluded devil (Shaytan) worshipper;[5][6] However, it continues to persist, and is still being read in public and studied in the present day, despite its questionable reputation.[5][7] Some Sufi orders, such as the Naqshbandi-Haqqani order have occasionally recognised its potential spiritual value, provided that the reader understands it.[8]

After its first modern era printing in Beirut on 1985, the government of Saudi Arabia imposed a ban on the book.[9] Ibn Jibrin, a Saudi scholar member of the Council of Senior Scholars and of the Permanent Committee for Scholarly Research and Ifta; has issued Fatwa which forbid certain books, including the *Shams al-Ma'arif*. [10][11]

In the 20th and 21st century AD, *Shams al-Ma'arif* grew in recognition and was adopted by the Order of Nine Angles, a global terrorist Satanist organization, as one of their influences.[12] Although a translation into English has not been undertaken, there have been numerous renditions of a few of the more popular rituals found within the main treatise, as well as those that lie in its accompanying text. Some of these rituals have had various degrees of notability, but one of recurring presence in many publications is that of the *Birhatiya*[13][14] (also known as *The Ancient Oath* or *Red Sulphur*[15]).

In 2022 a partial English translation by Amina Inloes was published by Revelore Press as "*Shams al-Ma'arif: The Sun of Knowledge An Arabic Grimoire: A selected Translation*"[16]

In 2023, another English translation of the *Shams al Ma'arif* was published by Johann Voldemont as "*Shams al-Ma'arif: Talismans and Magic Squares*" which

focuses primarily on the talismans and magic squares contained within the text. [17] Outside of the Arab and Western world, several editions of the book have been published in the Urdu and Turkish languages.[18][19][20]

Content

An Algerian manuscript of the Shams al-Ma'arif from 1868, Khalili Collection of Islamic Art

In contemporary form, the book consists of two volumes, Shams Al-Ma'arif al-Kubra[b] and Shams Al-Ma'arif al-Sughra,[c] the former being the larger of the two.[21][22] The first few chapters introduce the reader to magic squares, and the combination of numbers and the alphabet that are believed to bring magical effect, which the author claims is the only way to communicate with Jinn, angels and spirits. The table of contents that was introduced in the later printed editions of the work contains a list of unnumbered chapters (faṣl), which stretch to 40. However, before the printing press and various other standardisations, there were three independent volumes that circulated, each one differing in length.[23]

Another title by the same author, namely Manba' Usul al-Hikmah "The Source of the Essentials of Wisdom", is considered its companion text.[citation needed]

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Mick West is making the rounds this morning about the report

My local news channel, WGN Morning News, is teasing an upcoming interview with him. It should be really interesting to see what he says about it.

The one ray of hope about it is one of the anchors, Larry Potash, has shown

legit interest in the UAP/UFO subject. While it's doubtful that they get into any legitimate discussion about it because it's a quick, "fluff" interview buried on a Friday morning news show.

I'm hoping I catch the interview before I have to take my kids to school.

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Ah Chicago's very own, probably the best morning show I've come to enjoy lol.

Thanks for the heads up, did they say when the segment will air?

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It really is my favorite too. It aired on Friday. It might be on their website, I'm not sure. It was only about 5 minutes. Hopefully you can find it and judge it for yourself.

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u/TacohTuesday avatar

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Mick characterizes it as a disappointment and says that it does not reveal any smoking guns. He's not wrong. Others are saying the same.

Chris Mellon also is disappointed, but then he goes on to say "the report reveals major progress in developing an effective government capability for investigating the UAP enigma and kicking down the doors of ignorance that for far too long have prevented progress in understanding the phenomenon"

So in summary:

This report doesn't move the needle with skeptics. No surprise there.

The Chris Mellons of the world see this as a long game, and the report as a small step forward. Ongoing patience will be required.

Also, don't forget that there is a classified version of the report. I'm not sure who has been shown it yet. Presumably, it contains evidence from the cases that were evaluated, including the ones that remain unexplained. Possibly, it contains some juicy photos, videos, etc., maybe some exhibiting the five observables. Who knows. The public probably won't get much if any indication of what that content is. But when the 2021 classified report was viewed by Congress, some walked out of the room seemingly gobsmacked (based on the statements they made and actions they took after).

Bottom line: I don't think a big "reveal" is in the cards in the near-term. There is too much at stake, too many years of strict compartmentalization to overcome, and heavy infighting within government even now. Skeptics are going to remain skeptical until something undeniable slaps them in the face. I still don't know if I will see that in my lifetime, but at least the possibility is increasing that I will.

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Great comment! I agree.

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EDIT - The anchor I mentioned does follow Mick's tweet and asked him about the debunking of faked videos. Mick is mostly talking about UAPs in training area and how anything that pops up in the area the exercise has to be cancelled and a lot of it turns out to be "balloons, specifically mylar reflective balloons".

He did a fair amount of handwaving saying that "most have been explained or misidentification by the TRAINED NAVAL AVIATORS.

It was about what I expected, but not as bad as it could have been. Oh well.

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gregs1020

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balloons, or balloons that are too far away to identify as balloons.

but probably balloons that can be stationary over land and not react to the wind, but when they go east they're just in the wind that they didn't react to before.

so yeah, balloons. /s

it was a joke of a filler segment.

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Did you see it as well? His responses had the feel of, "Not much to see here" He really only talked about the sightings that could be explained while giving a quick, cursory note on the non-explainable ones.

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I saw it. I was a sober analysis of the report that devoid of any details.

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u/MKULTRA_Escapee avatar

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I really like the wording in the report "balloon-like entities." Anyone who draws the conclusion that an object's similarity to a balloon means it's a balloon could be mistaken here. West uses the wording "163 Balloons," but he really means 163 balloons/ balloon-like entities.

OVNI enviando Señales Guadalajara Mex 04/07/2014: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xCR8MfLumoc>

UFO Sighting over Yokosuka Japan uploaded 2012: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_95QB0LeCpA

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u/Express-Thing2354 avatar

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Do you think the la bruja could be considered a balloon entity?

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Vetersova

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3y ago

I'm not MK, but given the vagueness of the wording makes me lean towards yeah.

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u/croninsiglos avatar

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This is true, the report calls it out:

Initial characterization does not mean positively resolved or unidentified. This initial characterization better enables AARO and ODNI to efficiently and effectively leverage resources against the remaining 171 uncharacterized and unattributed UAP reports.

However, it does effectively mean that those balloon-like objects being pushed to the side to focus on the ones that aren't obviously balloon-like.

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Loquebantur

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"Modern" radar is essentially doing spectral analysis on the objects it scans (restricted by the frequency range the emitter produces). It can identify commonly occurring objects based on their surface's (penetration depth depends on material) chemical composition. It also does Doppler shift analysis and can get the velocity vector relative to the radar emitter.

Thereby it is perfectly capable of identifying a Mylar balloon as such. (And is in particular able to differentiate it from, say, a massive metal ball floating weightlessly in the air, unaffected by wind)

The expected amount of actual Mylar balloons in training ranges should be perfectly well known to the US military (I would guess near zero, otherwise they would be outlawed already). Pilots being surprised by them is wildly unlikely.

The whole smokescreen the DoD is puffing up here is at best ridiculous. At worst, they clearly take their constituency to be comprised of morons or employ such themselves.

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u/gerkletoss avatar
gerkletoss

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Almost no radars are capable of anything like this

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The "balloon-like entities" is a new term to me. Is this the first big use of that term?

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bejammin075

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Skeptical "thinking" I have recognized is demonstrably faulty and unscientific when it comes to the related topics of UFOs and psi phenomena. In this interaction with a skeptic I provided decisive peer-reviewed reproducible evidence showing that precognition is real. The skeptical "thinkers" are lazy and unscientific, and typically invoke unfounded conspiracy theories when they actually confront the data that challenges their worldview. Because psi phenomena can be studied under reproducible lab conditions and proven, the reactions by skeptics to this science expose the faulty reasoning that they apply equally to both UFOs and psi phenomena. I believe an understanding of psi phenomena, which is based on the physics of entanglement, helps to understand the UFO phenomena because the physics of psi phenomena are the physics that UFO occupants have fully developed to their advantage. The overly skeptical approach to UFOs, compared to psi phenomena, is a bit more understandable, perhaps, because it is not possible to do controlled studies under laboratory conditions.

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u/MantisAwakening avatar
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I agree with you 100%. Here's the thing about people who claim to be skeptics, particularly when it comes to psi phenomenon: they typically start off by claiming there is no evidence, which is an immediate clue that their bias is preventing them from even examining the subject. There's an overwhelming amount of evidence if one takes the time to search for it. The reason why most people aren't aware of it is because it's being actively suppressed by sites like google (Google scholar will typically not show research papers on the subject unless you search for the exact title), and because the skeptics constantly dissuade other people from investigating it through ridicule and ignorance.

Mona Sobhani is a neuroscientist who was converted from a skeptic to a believer, but had to go through multiple rounds of ontological shock and years of skepticism holding her back: <https://psychedelicrenaissance.substack.com/p/the-truth-is-in-the-coffee>

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deion_snaders

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balloon-like entities is meant to cover literally anything that can be balloon-like, like blimps, or a deflated balloon, or groups of balloons. Anything weird that a balloon can do but is hard to identify as a balloon because we're not close enough to see details.

Deflating balloons are often seen as shapeshifting or morphing UAPs, for example. That would be a balloon-like entity.

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They say balloon like entities because they specifically don't want to say "orbs".

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The Truth is in the Coffee
How a neuroscientist liberated herself from the cult of logical positivism
Erica Rex
Oct 15, 2021

Coffee dregs in a cup of Armenian coffee used for reading
Dr Mona Sobhani's transpersonal enlightenment did not start with psychedelics.
It started with coffee grounds.

Like many people who find themselves on spiritual journeys and contemplating consciousness, Dr Sobhani's story began unintentionally. Hers resulted from a personal crisis involving a murder, and a prescient coffee ground reading.

Dr Sobhani characterizes herself before her journey started as "a typical materialist neuroscientist."

Dr Sobhani studied molecular neuroscience as an undergrad. When she went to grad school, she wanted to focus more on personality. She attended the University of Southern California (USC) for her doctorate, convinced at the time behavioral patterns could be located in the brain. Like many in her field, she firmly subscribed to a kind of logical positivism which asserts that scientific knowledge is the only kind of factual knowledge and that all traditional metaphysical doctrines are to be rejected as meaningless. She believed it was possible to pinpoint the locus of psychopathic traits and their neural correlates – the place in the brain where neuroelectrical activity governing a particular behavioral trait or personality pattern actually takes place – through neuroimaging.

"By the time I left grad school, I was even more indoctrinated into materialist science. Any [contradictory] experience I'd had beforehand, I discounted. They teach you – they literally tell you 'your brain is a coincidence detector. Your brain makes meaning out of everything.'"

She realized after doing countless imaging studies she knew nothing about the brain and even less about the mind. "I was super disenchanted by neuroimaging parading around like we know anything about the brain with such authority. It's so disingenuous," said Dr Sobhani. She didn't feel comfortable pretending there was knowledge to be found through imaging where there was none. Discouraged, she decided on a post doctoral fellowship in law and neuroscience at Vanderbilt University. Eventually, she ended up back in Los Angeles at a digital health center, the USC Center for Body Computing at the Keck School of Medicine, to study translational neuroscience, applying neuroscience and technology to solve health problems.

"I really believed if we had continuous data measurements we could predict behavior and health and performance," she said. She characterizes the job as

part of her "normal professional career." But the crack in her belief about the value of what she was doing had already begun to form. She'd noticed she'd lost her sense of purpose after her dissertation was done.

"I was seeking for something. But really I felt dead." The new job was intense, but she'd decided "I was going to work so many hours I'd forget about how I had no soul anymore."

Dr Sobhani still made time to go home to her parents' on Sundays. Her family is Persian, from Iran. Her mother and her grandmother are skilled in the art of divination practiced in the Middle East: they read coffee grounds. By interpreting the patterns in the sludge left at the bottom of the cup after the muddy brew is drunk, they can predict the future. The cup is upturned and the sludge allowed to dry. Then the reading can begin. In Iran, her grandmother was legendary. Her mother read coffee grounds in the background at family parties. "I wasn't into it. I always rolled my eyes," Dr Sobhani said. "But my friends would come over and she would read their coffee and say 'Your mom is amazing.' I didn't pay attention to it." Over the six years she was in graduate school, she realized her mother was really good. "She was right more often than she was wrong." Dr Sobhani couldn't think about this too much because it was at odds with her other life. She compartmentalized the two realities.

In 2016 her mother began to see something disturbing in her cup. Every week she'd see the same thing, but she refused to divulge what it was, other than it involved a death of someone not too close, but someone Dr Sobhani knew well. Dr Sobhani went home for Thanksgiving for a few days. Every single cup of coffee yielded the same reading.

Five weeks later, one of her professors at USC was murdered by a student. Dr Sobhani still gets emotional. "It was upsetting. But what was worse was that she saw it weeks in advance." She called her mother and asked what she'd seen. She'd divined an extremely violent death; and she'd never seen a reading quite like it before.

The experience – and the fact that her mother had foreseen the murder two months in advance – unmoored her. Although she'd had plenty of experience with her mother's readings, and many if not most had come true, this experience was sui generis.

Determined her life go on, she shoved her looming existential crisis into the background. A few years later, when nothing had really changed, she decided a relationship would cure her malaise. Her mother predicted someone was coming, a good guy, and it would be a good relationship. When the young man in question appeared on the scene, Dr Sobhani had already decided he was going to be her life raft and rescue her from despair. But relationship tanked, the life raft sank, and Dr Sobhani felt as though she was drowning. She had come to take for granted the quality and reliability of her mother's readings. Usually upbeat and bubbly, she now felt there was no reason to live. In her despair, she became obsessed with whether it's possible to know the future, about how information moves and about fate and destiny and free will.

Some friends suggested she go to a psychic. First she dismissed the idea. Then one pointed out psychic readings were nothing different from what her mother did. Soon she was engaged in an informal experiment: even though they were often true, were the psychic readings true a sufficient percentage of the time to be statistically significant? The readings of her group of assorted friends all whom had different histories became her data set. Dr Sobhani was obsessed with quantifying the phenomenon the only way she knew how: through the lens of the scientific method she'd been marinated in.

"They weren't right about everything – but they were right on multiple variables," she said. What was going on? The way the psychics spoke about their readings, and how they knew what they knew was other-worldly. Soul groups. Soul lessons. Karmic relationships. Things she never thought about, and at any other

time in her life she would have dismissed as ridiculous.

Dr Sobhani admits her training as a skeptic and her reflexive doubt about anything outside of the scientific materialist realm ran very deep. Every book she read about psi phenomena or transpersonal experiences, or states of consciousness research would break some of the bonds that tied her to it. When she got up the next day, she was back where she started, convinced once again despite what she'd experienced, psychic and transpersonal experiences had to be hogwash. Then the process would begin again.

She writes1:

The scientific paradigm assumes that everything is made of matter and energy, contained within ordinary space and time, and can be measured experimentally and proved by logic or mathematics. In this scientific materialist paradigm, anything spiritual or that could be considered psi phenomenon cannot exist, which is why you see quick dismissal by the scientific establishment of such ideas.

But as a method, the inflexible, rigid demands of logical positivism have a way of failing. Take quantum physics as an example. She writes2:

We have seen these assumptions broken, spilling open a world of possibilities and questions. The findings about "the observer effect" in particular have caused a ripple in scientific and philosophical thinking because it threatens the idea from scientific materialism that the physical world would exist even if no one was around to observe it. Scientific materialism was already on shaky ground from a philosophical point of view because no one could ever experience reality outside consciousness. Think about it. At first, you might find yourself thinking, "Of course the Earth would still exist if humans did not exist" - but how can we know? We cannot verify it. It is an unprovable theory. Everything comes through our minds and our consciousness - it is the beginning, the limit, and the end.

Then quite by accident, Dr Sobhani came across the work of Yale and Columbia University trained psychiatrist Dr Brian Weiss, who had worked with patients in past life regression. Dr Sobhani was mesmerized by his descriptions of patients whose difficulties stemmed from unresolved feelings about events in lives other than the present in which they were living. "I would have thrown it out if not for his credentials," she said. She started reading voraciously on the topic and exploring unconventional therapeutic modalities for her despair. Talking therapy simply had not helped.

Dr Sobhani found a therapist who did past life regression; and she did a version of Holotropic Breathwork online called Neurodynamic Breathwork, along with a few others.

Then she tried psychedelics, first mushrooms, then LSD.

"LSD was best day of my life," said Dr Sobhani. The insights she received had been absent in the other kinds of healing work. She was no longer "dancing around issues." She could clearly see problems. She grasped what was really going on for the first time in her life.

Dr Sobhani now finds the tacit assumption that brain equals mind as though there were a one-to-one correlation intolerable. It halts any discussion of the nature of consciousness, and destroys any argument these intangible phenomena exist anywhere but encased within the frangible dome of human gray matter. The slavish obsession in neuroscience with fMRI scans and the structure of the brain creates an intellectual barricade behind which logical positivists hide. Her annoyance with people who claim to be fascinated with the field is palpable. The worst is when they cheerily spout common neuroscience tropes like "I did this because of the brain activity in my frontal cortex and my amygdala."

"What does that do for you? Does that mean you're not responsible?" Dr Sobhani said. "Blaming your brain is not a good place for us to be. Look at the psyche, look at behavior patterns. What can we do to save the Earth? We can't blame our brains or our biology. Get it?" The real issue, she said, is what you feel and what you're going to do about it.

As for the scientific validation she's sought, she has researched meta-analyses of thousands of scientific studies, many of which were results of experiments done on remote viewing under a program called "Stargate" funded by government agencies such as the CIA, NASA, and the Defense Intelligence Agency. The huge trove of data reveal a statistically significant replication pattern. Dr Sobhani spoke to one of the physicists who worked on the project herself. "It would have to be one hell of a hoax to have yielded results like these," she quotes him as saying. Plus, she's now had several transpersonal experiences herself. That part is key.

Over the course of her exploration, Dr Sobhani's belief about brain, mind, and consciousness has changed. She quotes computer scientist Bernardo Kastrup, who analogized the relationship between mind and brain as water and whirlpools:

"While they may look different from other parts of the stream, the whirlpools are made of nothing more than water... to say that brain generates mind is as absurd as to say that a whirlpool generates water!"³

Dr Sobhani writes⁴:

In his metaphor, the stream is the field of consciousness and humans are the whirlpools. Kastrup gives another analogy that might be helpful in understanding the concept. He uses individuals with "dissociative personality disorder" (DID), formerly known as multiple personality disorder, as an example. These individuals display multiple personalities with each personality having its own set of private inner experiences, even though they are all contained within one physical body. He suggests that "We may all be alters – dissociated personalities – of universal consciousness.

Dr Sobhani's personal philosophy has come a long way from the scientific materialism she so fervently adhered to only a few years ago.

"I originally thought information comes into our brain and our minds from outside," she said. But now she's convinced there is something like a universal mind. All we have to do is learn to access it through altered states of consciousness.

Dr Sobhani's book *Proof of Spiritual Phenomena: A Neuroscientist's Discovery of the Ineffable Mysteries of the Universe* is scheduled for publication by Park Street Press/Inner Traditions in 2022.

¹
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Kastrup, Bernardo. 2014. *Why Materialism is Baloney: How True Skeptics Know There Is No Death and Fathom Answers to life, the Universe, and Everything*. Iff Books.

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In 2007, the Nimitz case and the Flir1 video was leaked online, but it was very quickly (and incorrectly) "debunked" as a CGI hoax. A decade later the government confirmed it was a real video, which doesn't often happen.

Additionally, Gimbal and Gofast were also technically leaked. They were not supposed to be made public. They were cleared for internal use by Elizondo's efforts, then Christopher Mellon leaked them. (The Pentagon's three [now] declassified UFO videos taken by U.S. Navy pilots)

The above is all documented, and can not be disputed. It uses the words of Mr. Elizondo, and the words directly from his filing of a DD Form 1910. By the wording of the document, he led DOPSR to believe it was for internal use, and never stated he would use them to benefit from, in the private sector. Therefore, if we read this in plain English, the Pentagon did not release the videos to the public. They cleared them for "Open Publication" for use in a database used by the U.S. Government and its contractors.

I will let you decide, on whether or not that all constitutes "false pretense" and if in the end, you feel the Pentagon released this to the public. But what Mr. Elizondo did with those videos, vs. what the DD Form 1910 stated he was going to do with them, are two wildly different scenarios.
<https://www.theblackvault.com/documentarchive/inside-the-pentagons-release-of-three-ufo-videos/>

Chris Mellon says he received the three videos in a Pentagon parking lot from a "Defense Department official" and then leaked them to the NYTimes.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fv-WUha2Lu0>

Clear UFO photograph taken by Italian military pilot Marshal Giancarlo Cecconi of a cylindrical UFO from his G-91R aircraft:
<https://www.theblackvault.com/casefiles/the-ufo-case-of-maresciallo-cecconi-june-18-1979/>

Another clear photograph taken by a US military pilot from 1966:
<https://ufologie.patrickgross.org/htm/usafprovo66.htm>

Here is another one from 1971 from a Costa Rican government mapping team:
<https://medium.com/on-the-trail-of-the-saucers/costa-rica-ufo-photo-c0b1eb07c5e7>

There was also this: "Anonymous Letter Confirms Aguadilla, Puerto Rico, Coast Guard UFO Video" <https://www.theblackvault.com/casefiles/anonymous-letter->

confirms-aguadilla-puerto-rico-coast-guard-ufo-video/

And UFO Filmed by US Air Force at Nellis <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j4b7nPq1Xu8>

Three more videos, but these are police helicopter flir videos and I don't remember which of these was leaked and which were just released:

National Police Air Service (NPAS), United Kingdom, Films UFO Video September 16, 2016. The UFO was traveling into the wind and gave off heat. The pilot reports that the object was not visible in daytime mode, only in infrared: <https://www.theblackvault.com/casefiles/national-police-air-service-npas-united-kingdom-films-ufo-video/#> Full video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mDFOINEChYE>

Dec 2004 UFO Footage During Long Beach Police Department's helicopter Chase. It appears at the beginning of the video that the UFO was not visible to the naked eye, but the flir picked it up. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ox_nZD63n-0&list=PL081CCFB909534A68&index=33 [Note: The hypothesis of the pilot who filmed the Long Beach video is that it was a bag or a balloon with a flare attached to it, but of course that doesn't prove anything.]

Cannan said the pilot's best guess was that it was a bag or balloon with a flare attached to it, which would explain the trailing sulfur-like light. In the tape, the brightly lit object looks as though it's traveling fast, but it could just be the effect of the helicopter orbiting the item at its speedy pace with the background flashing by, he said. <https://www.abovetopsecret.com/forum/thread365625/pg1#pid4522585>

1991 - Daytona, Florida - Police FLIR Footage of UFO, covered on the History Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S-cNA3x3WE>

Although these aren't the greatest videos, their authenticity is better than most UFO videos out there, so at least we have something to work with.

Several other videos were leaked recently, along with some photographs. I'm sure everyone is familiar with those, one of them being the bokeh triangle.

Additionally, the existence of the Robertson Panel (later released) was leaked in 1956 by Edward Ruppelt, which showed that the CIA was very interested in spreading propaganda to American audiences to downplay UFOs. It was eventually partially declassified.

After a closed-door session with a scientific advisory panel chaired by H.P. Robertson from the California Institute of Technology, the C.I.A. issued a secret report recommending a broad educational program for all intelligence agencies, with the aim of "training and debunking."

Training meant more public education on how to identify known objects in the sky. "The use of true cases showing first the 'mystery' and then the 'explanation' would be forceful," the report said. Debunking "would be accomplished by mass media such as television, motion pictures, and popular articles."

That plan involved using psychologists, advertising experts, amateur astronomers and even Disney cartoons to create propaganda to reduce public interest. And civilian U.F.O. groups should be "watched," the report stated, because of their "great influence on mass thinking if widespread sightings should occur."

<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/01/15/arts/television/project-blue-book-history-true-story.html>

...as well as the existence and conclusion of the "Estimate of the Situation," although the document itself has never actually been leaked.

There have also been literally hundreds of whistleblowers and other leaks. A brief introduction to that here:
https://np.reddit.com/r/UFOs/comments/u9v40f/abc_news_the_us_government_is_completely/

So just take a look at the first link above just to give you an idea of how something that is completely true can be "debunked." Hopefully that puts some of the other leaked evidence in a new light.

There's more out there obviously, but this is what I came up with at the moment.

Edit: To add to the list, here's the "Deleted reddit video from a DoD facility"
https://np.reddit.com/r/UFOs/comments/x004tf/deleted_reddit_video_from_a_dod_facility/

Edit 2: USS Omaha: <https://kfor.com/mystery-wire/new-video-from-uss-omaha-shows-unknown-aerial-sphere-vanishing-into-ocean/>

Edit 3: The "Jellyfish" UFO, dubbed the "Flying Spaghetti Monster" by base personnel (probably balloons):
<https://www.newsnationnow.com/space/ufo/jellyfish-uap-video/>

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RobAlso

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4y ago

This was posted 6 months ago and only has 54 upvotes?! It amazes me that stupid, idiotic, nonsense videos go viral all the time but no one cares about something as serious as this. This is the kind of thing that needs to go viral! How do we spread this around to more people? How do we get more people to take this serious? The CIA's propaganda operation did a helluva job to the general public. It's aggravating af.

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4y ago

The government confirming anything is like Al Capote saying he's innocent.

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TheCoastalCardician

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4y ago

What was Capote guilty of?

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1 more reply

u/flameohotmein avatar

flameohotmein

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4y ago

It's funny because Lou makes it seem like what he did was amazing, but the videos themselves were never classified. It's also not a leak if these things were planned ahead of time.

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u/MKULTRA_Escapee avatar

MKULTRA_Escapee

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4y ago

The videos were not meant for the public to see. They were leaked. That's about it. It doesn't matter if Mellon planned the leak or it was spontaneous. That's a strange thing to say.

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9 more replies

u/RemedyYourMalpackage avatar

RemedyYourMalpackage

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4y ago

Right but all these videos look like video games from 1985. It's impossible to tell what's real because the visual quality on all of them is preposterous

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binkysnightmare

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4y ago

Which is it? Are you asking about credible instances and data, or for cinematically gorgeous 4K video of an alien high-fiving the POTUS?

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1 more reply

green-samson

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4y ago

There is no Govt made cutting edge tech, There is private Industry tech that they make for the Govt and agree to keep secret until a time when they can go public and make money on it. Kevlar, Sat Nav, Night vision, Internet etc etc. Private Industry has the toys and you'll get nothing from them.

Why not see if anybody has leaked where they plan to put their submarines, And if they've managed to keep that a secret you can bet they can keep something this big a secret.

Besides people come out all the time with their story, And when the TPTB go to work to discredit them the brain donors on here lap it up.

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u/Waldsman avatar

Waldsman

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4y ago

To call those companies private is a little dishonest. The big defense contractor companies are government owned and ran in everything but name. The CEOs usually are prior military or some background in government. It's the circle of the military industrial complex.

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TheCoastalCardician

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4y ago

Although I don't agree with every thing said here, ffs, our SecDef is on Raytheon's board. I really wish this was illegal.

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3 more replies

Dusdrew

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4y ago
There is zero leaks of hard evidence. Ever.

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4y ago
For real. Hard evidence means real evidence. As of right now we have no real evidence

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4y ago
UFOs, alien visitations etc. don't need to be leaked. If they are here, we will all know. We don't need government crooks and liars to let us know.

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9 more replies
PrincessJellyfish39

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4y ago
You're asking why something classified above top secret, above nuke tech, isn't leaked? You clearly don't understand how classified works or the level that this stuff is on.

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TirayShell

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4y ago
Maybe... just spitballing here... there ain't any.

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clarbg

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4y ago
Maybe the aliens just dont visit here very often. Absence of proof isn't proof of absence.

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u/gerkletoss avatar
gerkletoss

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4y ago
I'm with you. The government probably doesn't know much more than we do about anything UAP-related that isn't a project of theirs. If they did, why would there be a sudden surge to study it?

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2 more replies
RoastyMcGiblets

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4y ago
The gimbal/tic-tac/go-fast videos were leaked on youtube years before being declassified. No one thought they were real or paid any attention (I guess). So it's possible some real video has been leaked but because there is so much noise in this area they aren't getting attention.

Also the penalties are severe (jail) and a military retirement is not something

to piss away. Sure it's the biggest news of all time but ask Edward Snowden how violating an NDA worked out for him. Most people are self-interested. I think the only reason Snowden did what he did is he thought he'd come off as a hero. That's why he went to China initially, he thought they'd welcome him with open arms. He fucked himself royally, and I don't blame anyone else for not wanting to go out on that limb.

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There were no penalties associated with "leaking" these videos as they were never classified.

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HughJaynis

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Sure, but it will destroy your career if you're the one to release them. You will definitely be penalized one way or another.

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u/Andazah avatar
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Because it was much easier to leak things 15 years ago than it is now, digital forensics alone has improved a great deal.

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u/UAoverAU avatar
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The evidence certainly exists according to the UAP report (<https://www.dni.gov/files/ODNI/documents/assessments/Preliminary-Assessment-UAP-20210625.pdf>).

"Some UAP appeared to remain stationary in winds aloft, move against the wind, maneuver abruptly, or move at considerable speed, without discernable means of propulsion. In a small number of cases, military aircraft systems processed radio frequency (RF) energy associated with UAP sightings."

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Matild4

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It's a good question. The simplest answer is that there isn't any, and if there is, it's kept under lock and key. I doubt many people have access and any proof that isn't irreplaceable is probably destroyed immediately.

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u/Wendigo79 avatar
Wendigo79

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because these iphones are more for taking selfies and facial recognition than

capturing a photo of something at 40,000 feet...

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u/xHangfirex avatar
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You have to consider that there may be nothing to leak, hence the lack of leaks. Most of what I have heard from Elizondo leads me to believe "they" don't know much more than we do.

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Spacecowboy78

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We have 150 nuclear missile launch officers whistle-blowers who have gone public. Why would you call them non-credible?

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Well you dont see leaks of crazy paradigm shattering stuff because.. well its not a good idea to willy nilly shatter paradigms We cant handle a freaking respiratory virus... how is the country going to handle aliens being real ?

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u/ministeringinlove avatar
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If the government had actual proof of literally the most significant event in human history, wouldn't some worker somewhere have leaked actual hard evidence?

Someone I know who was involved with counter-intelligence had humored me on the subject because I would go to every single active or former serviceman and ask what they knew about UFOs (honestly, because it got laughter out of peers). According to him, our government is really horrible at keeping secrets; this was slightly before the discovery that the government had actually been investigating the subject for decades with little to no knowledge among the public.

I like and hate the story of Neil Armstrong, who, according to the story, was told not to publicly divulge what they saw lest his family be endangered. Another case is the horrible, "coincidental" death of Karl Wolfe, who had been run over by a semi. He had come forward some time back about pictures he saw depicting structures on the moon. Another is the case of the former Director of the CIA, William Colby, who was apparently found face down in a river is a supposed suicide (he was supposedly working with Steven Greer). Another more recent leak showed the efforts Admiral Wilson went through and the threat to his career if he pursued the matter of reverse engineering.

In my own research, I was pursuing the topic of consciousness and non-locality in relation to the phenomenon; this led me to reaching out to a former employee with NASA for a variety of reasons that I won't list here. Instead of online communication, they suggested that they reach out to me via phone call to discuss things. I have a wife and two kids and the idea that it was better to converse via phone call and not electronically really bothered me, so I turned it down - it just felt like it was going too fast and I began to think about possible consequences if it was something big. The threat of your life being ruined is adequate for the most part, but not even just your life. The possible

threat to someone you love is worse, knowing that, if worse came to worse, you could spend the rest of your life without them because you aroused the ire of some dangerous person or group.

Also, photo and video resolution has greatly increased since 1985; why are ufo videos the one exception that still look like they were shot back then?

Most people only have their cell phones with them at any given moment. A year or two ago, I had the Note 10+, which had one of the best cameras on a phone. Curious about the blurry UFO video issue, I went outside during a break and watched for a plane to record. Once one flew over, I zoomed in and began to record and, sadly, it looked like a UFO - little to no definition in the object on the recording. Phones are certainly very capable tools for photos and videos, but they still suffer recording at long ranges and most people don't have enough familiarity with camera settings to utilize them to the best of the phone's capacity.

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In 2007, the Nimitz case and the Flir1 video was leaked online, but it was very quickly (and incorrectly) "debunked" as a CGI hoax. A decade later the government confirmed it was a real video, which doesn't often happen.

Additionally, Gimbal and Gofast were also technically leaked. They were not supposed to be made public. They were cleared for internal use by Elizondo's

efforts, then Christopher Mellon leaked them. (The Pentagon's three [now] declassified UFO videos taken by U.S. Navy pilots)

The above is all documented, and can not be disputed. It uses the words of Mr. Elizondo, and the words directly from his filing of a DD Form 1910. By the wording of the document, he led DOPSR to believe it was for internal use, and never stated he would use them to benefit from, in the private sector. Therefore, if we read this in plain English, the Pentagon did not release the videos to the public. They cleared them for "Open Publication" for use in a database used by the U.S. Government and its contractors.

I will let you decide, on whether or not that all constitutes "false pretense" and if in the end, you feel the Pentagon released this to the public. But what Mr. Elizondo did with those videos, vs. what the DD Form 1910 stated he was going to do with them, are two wildly different scenarios.
<https://www.theblackvault.com/documentarchive/inside-the-pentagons-release-of-three-ufo-videos/>

Chris Mellon says he received the three videos in a Pentagon parking lot from a "Defense Department official" and then leaked them to the NYTimes.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fv-WUha2Lu0>

Clear UFO photograph taken by Italian military pilot Marshal Giancarlo Cecconi of a cylindrical UFO from his G-91R aircraft:
<https://www.theblackvault.com/casefiles/the-ufo-case-of-maresciallo-cecconi-june-18-1979/>

Another clear photograph taken by a US military pilot from 1966:
<https://ufologie.patrickgross.org/htm/usafprovo66.htm>

Here is another one from 1971 from a Costa Rican government mapping team:
<https://medium.com/on-the-trail-of-the-saucers/costa-rica-ufo-photo-c0b1eb07c5e7>

There was also this: "Anonymous Letter Confirms Aguadilla, Puerto Rico, Coast Guard UFO Video" <https://www.theblackvault.com/casefiles/anonymous-letter-confirms-aguadilla-puerto-rico-coast-guard-ufo-video/>

And UFO Filmed by US Air Force at Nellis <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j4b7nPq1Xu8>

Three more videos, but these are police helicopter flir videos and I don't remember which of these was leaked and which were just released:

National Police Air Service (NPAS), United Kingdom, Films UFO Video September 16, 2016. The UFO was traveling into the wind and gave off heat. The pilot reports that the object was not visible in daytime mode, only in infrared:
<https://www.theblackvault.com/casefiles/national-police-air-service-npas-united-kingdom-films-ufo-video/#> Full video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mDFOINEChYE>

Dec 2004 UFO Footage During Long Beach Police Department's helicopter Chase. It appears at the beginning of the video that the UFO was not visible to the naked eye, but the flir picked it up. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ox_nZD63n-0&list=PL081CCFB909534A68&index=33 [Note: The hypothesis of the pilot who filmed the Long Beach video is that it was a bag or a balloon with a flare attached to it, but of course that doesn't prove anything.]

Cannan said the pilot's best guess was that it was a bag or balloon with a flare attached to it, which would explain the trailing sulfur-like light. In the tape, the brightly lit object looks as though it's traveling fast, but it could just be the effect of the helicopter orbiting the item at its speedy pace with the background flashing by, he said.
<https://www.abovetopsecret.com/forum/thread365625/pg1#pid4522585>

1991 - Daytona, Florida - Police FLIR Footage of UFO, covered on the History Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S-cCNA3x3WE>

Although these aren't the greatest videos, their authenticity is better than most UFO videos out there, so at least we have something to work with.

Several other videos were leaked recently, along with some photographs. I'm sure everyone is familiar with those, one of them being the bokeh triangle.

Additionally, the existence of the Robertson Panel (later released) was leaked in 1956 by Edward Ruppelt, which showed that the CIA was very interested in spreading propaganda to American audiences to downplay UFOs. It was eventually partially declassified.

After a closed-door session with a scientific advisory panel chaired by H.P. Robertson from the California Institute of Technology, the C.I.A. issued a secret report recommending a broad educational program for all intelligence agencies, with the aim of "training and debunking."

Training meant more public education on how to identify known objects in the sky. "The use of true cases showing first the 'mystery' and then the 'explanation' would be forceful," the report said. Debunking "would be accomplished by mass media such as television, motion pictures, and popular articles."

That plan involved using psychologists, advertising experts, amateur astronomers and even Disney cartoons to create propaganda to reduce public interest. And civilian U.F.O. groups should be "watched," the report stated, because of their "great influence on mass thinking if widespread sightings should occur."

<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/01/15/arts/television/project-blue-book-history-true-story.html>

...as well as the existence and conclusion of the "Estimate of the Situation," although the document itself has never actually been leaked.

There have also been literally hundreds of whistleblowers and other leaks. A brief introduction to that here:
https://np.reddit.com/r/UFOs/comments/u9v40f/abc_news_the_us_government_is_completely/

So just take a look at the first link above just to give you an idea of how something that is completely true can be "debunked." Hopefully that puts some of the other leaked evidence in a new light.

There's more out there obviously, but this is what I came up with at the moment.

Edit: To add to the list, here's the "Deleted reddit video from a DoD facility"
https://np.reddit.com/r/UFOs/comments/x004tf/deleted_reddit_video_from_a_dod_facility/

Edit 2: USS Omaha: <https://kfor.com/mystery-wire/new-video-from-uss-omaha-shows-unknown-aerial-sphere-vanishing-into-ocean/>

Edit 3: The "Jellyfish" UFO, dubbed the "Flying Spaghetti Monster" by base personnel (probably balloons):
<https://www.newsnationnow.com/space/ufo/jellyfish-uap-video/>

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RobAlso

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4y ago

This was posted 6 months ago and only has 54 upvotes?! It amazes me that stupid,

idiotic, nonsense videos go viral all the time but no one cares about something as serious as this. This is the kind of thing that needs to go viral! How do we spread this around to more people? How do we get more people to take this serious? The CIA's propaganda operation did a helluva job to the general public. It's aggravating af.

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The government confirming anything is like Al Capote saying he's innocent.

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TheCoastalCardician

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What was Capote guilty of?

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u/flameohotmein avatar

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It's funny because Lou makes it seem like what he did was amazing, but the videos themselves were never classified. It's also not a leak if these things were planned ahead of time.

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u/MKULTRA_Escapee avatar

MKULTRA_Escapee

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The videos were not meant for the public to see. They were leaked. That's about it. It doesn't matter if Mellon planned the leak or it was spontaneous. That's a strange thing to say.

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u/RemedyYourMalpackage avatar

RemedyYourMalpackage

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Right but all these videos look like video games from 1985. It's impossible to tell what's real because the visual quality on all of them is preposterous

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binkysnightmare

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Which is it? Are you asking about credible instances and data, or for cinematically gorgeous 4K video of an alien high-fiving the POTUS?

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green-samson

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There is no Govt made cutting edge tech, There is private Industry tech that they make for the Govt and agree to keep secret until a time when they can go public and make money on it. Kevlar, Sat Nav, Night vision, Internet etc etc. Private Industry has the toys and you'll get nothing from them.

Why not see if anybody has leaked where they plan to put their submarines, And if they've managed to keep that a secret you can bet they can keep something this big a secret.

Besides people come out all the time with their story, And when the TPTB go to work to discredit them the brain donors on here lap it up.

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u/Waldsman avatar

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4y ago

To call those companies private is a little dishonest. The big defense contractor companies are government owned and ran in everything but name. The ceos usually are prior military or some background in government. It's the circle of the military industrial complex.

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TheCoastalCardician

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Although I don't agree with every thing said here, ffs, our SecDef is on Raytheon's board. I really wish this was illegal.

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Dusdrew

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There is zero leaks of hard evidence. Ever.

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For real. Hard evidence means real evidence. As of right now we have no real evidence

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UFOs, alien visitations etc. don't need to be leaked. If they are here, we will all know. We don't need government crooks and liars to let us know.

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PrincessJellyfish39

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You're asking why something classified above top secret, above nuke tech, isn't leaked? You clearly don't understand how classified works or the level that this stuff is on.

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TirayShell

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4y ago

Maybe... just spitballing here... there ain't any.

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clarbg

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Maybe the aliens just dont visit here very often. Absence of proof isn't proof of absence.

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u/gerkletoss avatar

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4y ago

I'm with you. The government probably doesn't know much more than we do about anything UAP-related that isn't a project of theirs. If they did, why would there be a sudden surge to study it?

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RoastyMcGiblets

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The gimbal/tic-tac/go-fast videos were leaked on youtube years before being declassified. No one thought they were real or paid any attention (I guess). So it's possible some real video has been leaked but because there is so much noise in this area they aren't getting attention.

Also the penalties are severe (jail) and a military retirement is not something to piss away. Sure it's the biggest news of all time but ask Edward Snowden how violating an NDA worked out for him. Most people are self-interested. I think the only reason Snowden did what he did is he thought he'd come off as a hero. That's why he went to China initially, he thought they'd welcome him with open arms. He fucked himself royally, and I don't blame anyone else for not wanting to go out on that limb.

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u/flameohotmein avatar

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There were no penalties associated with "leaking" these videos as they were never classified.

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HughJaynis

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Sure, but it will destroy your career if you're the one to release them. You will definitely be penalized one way or another.

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u/Andazah avatar
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Because it was much easier to leak things 15 years ago than it is now, digital forensics alone has improved a great deal.

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u/UAoverAU avatar
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The evidence certainly exists according to the UAP report (<https://www.dni.gov/files/ODNI/documents/assessments/Preliminary-Assessment-UAP-20210625.pdf>).

"Some UAP appeared to remain stationary in winds aloft, move against the wind, maneuver abruptly, or move at considerable speed, without discernable means of propulsion. In a small number of cases, military aircraft systems processed radio frequency (RF) energy associated with UAP sightings."

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Matild4

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It's a good question. The simplest answer is that there isn't any, and if there is, it's kept under lock and key. I doubt many people have access and any proof that isn't irreplaceable is probably destroyed immediately.

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u/Wendigo79 avatar
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because these iphones are more for taking selfies and facial recognition than capturing a photo of something at 40,000 feet...

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u/xHangfirex avatar
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You have to consider that there may be nothing to leak, hence the lack of leaks. Most of what I have heard from Elizondo leads me to believe "they" don't know much more than we do.

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Spacecowboy78

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We have 150 nuclear missile launch officers whistle-blowers who have gone public. Why would you call them non-credible?

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u/Snookn42 avatar
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Well you dont see leaks of crazy paradigm shattering stuff because.. well its not a good idea to willy nilly shatter paradigms We cant handle a freaking respiratory virus... how is the country going to handle aliens being real ?

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u/ministeringinlove avatar
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If the government had actual proof of literally the most significant event in human history, wouldn't some worker somewhere have leaked actual hard evidence?

Someone I know who was involved with counter-intelligence had humored me on the subject because I would go to every single active or former serviceman and ask what they knew about UFOs (honestly, because it got laughter out of peers). According to him, our government is really horrible at keeping secrets; this was slightly before the discovery that the government had actually been investigating the subject for decades with little to no knowledge among the public.

I like and hate the story of Neil Armstrong, who, according to the story, was told not to publicly divulge what they saw lest his family be endangered. Another case is the horrible, "coincidental" death of Karl Wolfe, who had been run over by a semi. He had come forward some time back about pictures he saw depicting structures on the moon. Another is the case of the former Director of the CIA, William Colby, who was apparently found face down in a river is a supposed suicide (he was supposedly working with Steven Greer). Another more recent leak showed the efforts Admiral Wilson went through and the threat to his career if he pursued the matter of reverse engineering.

In my own research, I was pursuing the topic of consciousness and non-locality in relation to the phenomenon; this led me to reaching out to a former employee with NASA for a variety of reasons that I won't list here. Instead of online communication, they suggested that they reach out to me via phone call to discuss things. I have a wife and two kids and the idea that it was better to converse via phone call and not electronically really bothered me, so I turned it down - it just felt like it was going too fast and I began to think about possible consequences if it was something big. The threat of your life being ruined is adequate for the most part, but not even just your life. The possible threat to someone you love is worse, knowing that, if worse came to worse, you could spend the rest of your life without them because you aroused the ire of some dangerous person or group.

Also, photo and video resolution has greatly increased since 1985; why are ufo videos the one exception that still look like they were shot back then?

Most people only have their cell phones with them at any given moment. A year or two ago, I had the Note 10+, which had one of the best cameras on a phone. Curious about the blurry UFO video issue, I went outside during a break and watched for a plane to record. Once one flew over, I zoomed in and began to record and, sadly, it looked like a UFO - little to no definition in the object on the recording. Phones are certainly very capable tools for photos and videos, but they still suffer recording at long ranges and most people don't have enough familiarity with camera settings to utilize them to the best of the phone's capacity.

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because there is likely no hard evidence. there's a reason all these ufo/uap vids are blurry as hell, get in close and it's probably something mundane.

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Why so many posts like this from people who have recently joined Reddit? 🙄

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u/Independent_Ant1044 avatar
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4y ago
I think some of the "debunked" videos are legitimate leaks intended to be out in public domain and get everyone debunking/cgi etc.

Skinny Bob - Legit DNI alien - Legit Fly by - Legit The flying disc /helicopter within this sub - Legit

I think the service dropped them on to YT, degrades in some way, quality, audio etc and left to sit until this point. Degraded so that doubt and discussion is a thing.

Our human brains assume CGI, because these things really are so out there and alien.

I think we've been seeing them for many years and allowing a "that's already been debunked" steer to wash over them.

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UFOnomena101

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4y ago
Big generalizations your making. There are a lot of government docs that have been leaked or declassified that point to the reality of the phenomenon. There are some videos that have now been confirmed. Before being confirmed they were easily cast doubt upon by debunkers or simply questionable provenance. So maybe it's not always that the leaks haven't happened, it's that it's damn hard to verify for sure, especially when certain government agencies are actively subverting it.

Not to mention there are a shitload of government employees, many in military of very high rank, who have indeed come forward. It's evidence, but sounds like only "hard" evidence matters so that's not enough, right? Maybe it suggests extremely advanced technological beings are reasonably good at not being caught. How surprising is that? It may point to fewer (or zero) actual recovered crashes unlike people have been led to believe. Maybe it's just fucking hard to get a great, incontrovertible picture when they move at a million fucking miles an hour. I think the evidence exists but maybe it's not so voluminous that every joe schmoe can get their hands on it.

And don't discount the pressure of losing your career or even bodily harm. Yeah other leaks have happened, but when they're smaller less consequential stuff, the risk to ones livelihood is also less. People get disappeared all the time. In this case it may not just be the government, there's plenty of indication that private industry is involved and you better believe huge amounts of cash to protect. Maybe the fact that there haven't been so many leaks of hard evidence suggests the threat is very real and the stakes are very high.

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jerrinehart

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Has you somehow missed the credentials of Lue and company? They're a who's who of upper echelon US government.

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u/RemedyYourMalpackage avatar
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What hard evidence have they provided?

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WeAreNotAlone1947

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Because leaks of that sort of things can be traced back 100%. You will go to prison and, more importantly, you will lose your pension!

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I think money is the great equalizer...most people will do anything for money and keeping a secret for an unlimited supply is no big deal.

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antiqua_lumina

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Because the UAP are traveling back in time, but can only affect the timeline in very marginal and subtle ways due to causality. They are nudging us into a different time path where they become more present a little bit at a time. Everytime we change paths a little but it's like a Mandella Effect. So no major leak, yet, because it would stray too far from our original timeline. But give it time. We'll find out in a bit that they've been here for a long time and made contact decades ago. Maybe longer. We'll find out that they are gods basically and have been here forever.

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Don't know how credible this is, but I just saw this short on YouTube, & thought I'd share it: Extreme zoom of the moon

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Geneocrat

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I really go back and forth. As someone else posted there have been some very credible videos.

But for videos like this:

https://reddit.com/r/UFOs/comments/qwnixh/strange_ufos_over_almaty_kazakhstan_11142021_hd/

I would like to see just once two videos of the same phenomenon. Doesn't everyone in Russia have a dash cam? Kazakhstan can't be that different.

I can imagine plausible explanations for why videos are not more common.

Perhaps UFO visitors are cyclical, if real

Why would they even be interested in us an visit at all? We're not that amazing.

If there's intelligent life in the universe it's not on earth. Maybe they visited and left.

as others have said, it's hard to get good videos and photos under many light conditions.

Maybe there are real videos that people dismiss as cgi

there are so many videos of balloons and Chinese lanterns that there again they probably drown out the real thing if it exists.

If it's real, we'll be seeing more. I check here daily to see what's up.

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MYSTERY WIRE — Newly released video taken on board the USS Omaha, a littoral combat ship, shows what has been described as a transmedium vehicle (that is, a vehicle capable of traveling through both air and water) moving, hovering, and disappearing into the Pacific Ocean.

The new video has been published by investigative filmmaker Jeremy Corbell. The

video is from the same incident Mystery Wire documented in April. Previously, two freeze frame images from the video were made public. A Pentagon spokesperson confirmed last month that one of the freeze-frame images was recorded by US Navy personnel.

During July 2019, several U.S. warships based in San Diego were repeatedly buzzed by unknown aerial intruders. Stories of strange encounters bubbled to the surface last summer, initially focused on the USS Kidd, a Navy destroyer.

In March, more documentation surfaced in the form of ships logs, which confirmed that unidentified objects were seen by crews aboard multiple warships in restricted waters off the coast of southern California. One of those ships was the USS Omaha.

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The objects were described as "drones", also as "UAVs," generic terms for what are otherwise considered unidentified objects

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Navy images showing trans-medium Sphere travel from the air to underwater.
(Image sourced by @JeremyCorbell)

This new video and the earlier images were part of a series of bizarre encounters reported by the U.S. Navy during the past two years.

On March 2019 a U.S. Navy F/A-18 jet encounter of three stationary drones of unknown origin, reported earlier by Mystery Wire, off the coast of Virginia above the Atlantic Ocean.

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Below you can read the transcript of the conversation between George Knapp and Jeremy Corbell and watch the USS Omaha video of the unidentified sphere.

George Knapp

Jeremy, good to have you back. 2019 remarkable things happening on both coasts. Back in April, you and I jointly released some incredible images starting with the three photographs taken by an F/A-18 crew off the coast of Virginia, still unidentified images that are in the briefing presentation prepared by the UAP Task Force and delivered to members of Congress, joint chiefs, intelligence agencies. And then two days later, April 8, we released some amazing images that you've acquired and that we have confirmed regarding several ships in the Pacific Fleet that were surveyed, under surveillance by a number of unidentified. Call them drones, call them UAVs, UFOs, whatever you want to call them. This was a series of events that is well documented. And one of the key ships that was identified by you, and that came from the UAP Task Force briefing document involves the USS Omaha. Now, as we know, the Pentagon came forward (and) confirmed that the images were real. But this slide that you obtained about the USS Omaha seems to be one that they were kind of fuzzy about. You have an idea about why they were sort of reluctant to go as far as they did with this

image as opposed to the other images that you presented.

Jeremy Corbell

Yeah, well, here's the deal. Let me recap for a second here. We released a lot of content. You released three images from an F/A-18 over the east coast, verified part of the study of the UAPTF UFO studies, you know, then together, we released six new images, three of which were of the pyramidal shape object, the UFOs. And then the other was three of this USS Omaha, which they describe these as spherical, unmanned aerial platforms, maybe UFOs going into the water. Then, we also released the kind of now iconic, pyramid and triangular shaped video. So it's like a mother lode. Then, a little time after I released another still image, an image that wasn't contained as a still image in the UAPTF UFO reports from May 1 2020. So why did the Pentagon instantly confirm the USS Russell, pyramidal shaped UFOs and not the USS Omaha? That confused me too. Why confirm anything? I now suspect that they didn't have all of that data and information. And upon my search and trying to find people that would know that we're in a position to know I have heard through word on the wash, you know, that now UAPTF has a lot more data than before. So this is so cool. This is where reporting, you and I are reporting and it's influencing the knowledge base of governmental organizations that can now take this seriously and put it into hopefully, the summer release of information. So to answer your question very succinctly, the reason I think that the triangular and pyramid shaped UFO footage was confirmed and the USS Omaha USO, Unidentified Submerging Object, was not confirmed directly, although as a play on words, is because I think when we're breaking news, people are playing catch up, George.

NAVY FILMED PYRAMID UAPs

Still images from video recorded by the U.S. Navy showing Pyramid shaped UAPs flying above the USS Russell. (Image sourced by @JeremyCorbell)

George Knapp

The slide created for the UAP Task Force briefing document shows the USS Omaha, it is a still image. There's been a lot of speculation, as you know, online and in the UFO world, that it might be a still image taken from a video. We can now confirm that is the fact, right.

Jeremy Corbell

Yeah. So in fact, what happened was when these huge series of events happened in a warning area off the coast of San Diego, there were so many ships involved. And there were so many things happening, that some of the people on the ships were tasked with putting reports up the chain of command. They didn't know is going to go to UAPTF. They're just doing these reports because that's their job. And these are unknowns unidentifieds with peculiar functionalities. So all of a sudden, you and I released these UAPTF images that were part of this intelligence report. All unclassified and all of a sudden people realize, well, these are stills that were prepared. It's a briefing, which means it was brief, there's a lot more data, there's full video of this thing, allegedly, or seemingly descending and going into the water without destruction. So the essence of this is, it would be very easy to assume that these images came from video. And you and I can now not only confirm that, but we can release part of that.

George Knapp

Let's set the stage of where this is happening. We have a map that shows where the USS Omaha is. As mentioned earlier, there were several ships involved. A friend of ours and mutual friend Tyler Rogoway, wrote for The Drive and he got a lot of FOIA information, ship logs that established where various ships were when the things happened to them. In that same time period, the USS Omaha was buzzed by craft at a position that we'll show on this map just sort of straight west from San Diego, west of the Channel Islands, it was buzzed over a period of days, right, from what you've learned?

Jeremy Corbell

It was. So Tyler Rogoway's like the only journalist that has got everything right so far, when it comes to ship positions and that kind of thing. He's very

thorough, and I really appreciate, you know, what he put out. Now the Omaha wasn't listed on his map, but I talked to him about that. It's possible the Omaha came in from over 100 miles away on the 15th, the next day, but all this activity is in an area and there were more ships involved than people know. And they all had kind of different experiences. Although, you know, there were similarities, but what we're about to show people is the exact GPS location of the USS Omaha at the height of this event series, particularly the exact time and location when this object drops into the water. Now shows you the location of the USS Omaha to the exact degree with coordinates and you'll see that in your bottom left of the screen. So what I guess what I'm saying is the footage I have, we've confirmed and validated. George and I just so everybody knows, we've confirmed and validated. It took us some time and I think everybody's gonna find out and they're going to confirm and get it validated for themselves. But we got it confirmed and validated. So this footage you're seeing is authentic. Whatever it is. It is real Navy footage filmed on the Sapphire which is a FLIR system from the ship, live.

George Knapp

Here we go, we'll play the video.

Transcript of USS Omaha video

:05 "Took off, bookin' it."

:21 "Break, OMAHA, PINCKNEY, KIDD, RAFAEL PERALTA possibility to launch helo ASAP".

:28 "If it splashes you get a bearing and range.":30 "Yes sir."

:32 "... keep going bro [inaudible]":33 [inaudible]

:36 "... it's windy as f**k out there."

:42 "... got a lotta white water out there. Six foot swells."

:43 "Whoa, it's getting close."

:50 "We have, uh, 31 knots sustained wind topside, gust of 40 [knots]."

:56 "Whoa, it splashed!"

:57 "Splashed!"

:58 "Mark bearing and range."

George Knapp

Jeremy, explain where that video is recorded. So it's not somebody standing on the side of the ship looking over the edge. It's inside the ship and the command center right?

Jeremy Corbell

Yeah, what you're seeing is footage from within the CIC, which is the Combat Information Center. And that's live, that's as this was happening. That's as they're tracking these targets. And that's as you're seeing one of the targets appear to become transmedium, and go into the water.

George Knapp

So you can hear the excitement of the people who are watching this unfold. They don't know what this thing is.

Jeremy Corbell

Oh, yeah, definitely this. This was a very unique event series. This is something that none of them had really experienced prior in this way. You do hear the excitement. So if you think about the iconic footage of the go fast video or you think about the iconic footage of the gimbal video, we are now able as a society to really look at this UFO Footage and understand what FLIR is, what thermal imagery is, why it's black and white. What we should be seeing if something had rotors or fins or tails and what we're not seeing. So you do hear the excitement and something I think is worth mentioning is just like how Your hearing, you know, it's going against the wind at 130 knots, whatever was said in the Gimbal video, we're hearing and seeing something like that in this video. When they say splash splash, that doesn't mean there was a physical splash. That means this object went into the water or they suspect it did. And they did carry out, there was a search that was underway, you heard him say, you know, send out hilos or whatever. But the wind was really choppy. And the water was really

choppy. But I did report and I'm standing behind it, there was a search by a submarine that was unsuccessful, they did not find wreckage, and this object was not small. I'll just put it to you that way for now. But there's ways for me to qualify that. But when you hear their excitement, and they say mark the bearing and range, splash splash, And they say mark the bearing and range, splash splash. Whoa, splash. I mean, that is equivalent to the air footage we have. But this is now going into the sea.

George Knapp

It occurs to me that this went on for quite a while, an hour. At 11 o'clock at night, right? That's when it happened. 11 o'clock at night. It's dark out there in the middle of the ocean. And this object, the dimensions of which we will describe later, but it's a spherical object that travels right along with the ship for a period of time, like, Hey, take pictures of me.

Jeremy Corbell

Oh, no, there were a lot of actions. Yeah. So let's talk about the actions of these craft and what was going on. That's important to clarify. But just to nail down one point, I told everybody that when I said 11 p.m., I meant 11 p.m., not 11:01. So everybody can now look in the bottom right, you can confirm that it's the 15th of July 2019. You can also confirm that the object appears to descend into the water at precisely 11 p.m. Pacific time. Now the indicators that you see on screen, you're going to see I think a different date, you're going to see the 16th at 6 a.m. because that's general mean time (GMT). But that ship where it was with those GPS coordinates, you know, they're in the Pacific Time Zone. So people will be a little confused at first. But understand it's 11 p.m. sharp, at exactly July 15. At the coordinates you see in the left side of the screen.

George Knapp

I am not sure how far we can go in this conversation. But there is more to be revealed. So is that object alone, or were there other objects that look like this sphere, traveling with it.

Jeremy Corbell

Okay, so the object was not alone. This was a swarm. I think it's fair to say that there was a minimum of 14 objects. And that's a minimum. There, there could have been more. That's at one time on the S band radar screens. So yeah, there you go. That's what I know to the best of my understanding from individuals who have been in a position to know, multiple individuals.

George Knapp

The USS Omaha is what is called littoral, not literal, but littoral combat ship, built to be small and fast and maneuverable and suitable for multiple kinds of missions that the ships were created to, a lot of different kinds of roles. Anti submarine warfare, anti mines, anti surface warfare, intelligence, surveillance, reconnaissance, special ops, so it's jam packed with sophisticated sensors, it should be able to see unidentified craft that are heading its way. It should be able to get it on radar, sonar, various sensors. Can you describe how successful the various sensors on the Omaha were in terms of tracking these things, keeping them in their sights, and then seeing when they leave?

Jeremy Corbell

Yeah, so I think I should reiterate, everything that we are releasing is unclassified. People are going to understand more about that as we go forward. But I just like to be very clear that it's possible that this footage is not contained in classified reports that we've reported on before. This might be fresh information for a lot of people. So just to back up a second. Everything we're releasing is unclassified. There are numerous sensor systems on a craft as cool as USS Omaha. The two I think are worth talking about is SPS 77, which is like an air search technology. It's a very interesting technology. But I would say I'd put a little bit more weight on the S band radar. And that's something that I think we're going to report on more later. We know from these systems, the shape is probably very similar to what you're seeing in that video. Kind of like the Tic Tac video, when Commander Underwood said that look, you should be

able to see wings and rotors and plumes and wash and you don't see any of that. I would argue very successfully, I think, that you would see similar aspects in this footage if they were there. Additionally, there are certain types of, so that's with the Sapphire FLIR system. With the S band radar, if we were to get more into that in the weeks to come, I would suspect there's a minimum size that can be picked up by the S band radar. And I would suspect that things getting picked up by S band radar would probably be at least six feet in diameter spherically of solid mass, that means no like sticks with rotors on them reaching out six feet, I'm talking about an actual mass of at least six feet, if that makes sense.

George Knapp

So there were 14 of these things at any given time. And my understanding is there was difficulty in keeping track of all of them in terms of whatever sensor systems were being used, the one that we're watching, we're gonna see the video again in a second, the one that we're watching on that screen, what technology is showing us that image because it's pitch black, it's 11 o'clock at night, it's dark out there, what system is being used to show that image on screen.

Jeremy Corbell

Okay, so the way people will understand it is just like you've seen in the Tic Tac, the Gimbal, and the Go Fast. It's a FLIR technology, which is a thermal technology. That's why you're seeing in black and white because it is pitch black, you're out at sea. So it's showing the differentials of thermal from how I understand it. It's called a Sapphire system. And that's something that I think people will start looking into now. But it's made by FLIR, it's the same type of system.

George Knapp

Let's, let's watch the video again. And we'll stop at a couple of points to remark about some of what we're hearing.

*** VIDEO ***

George Knapp

All right, we're stopping it there, Jeremy. So you know, it's out in the ocean. It's at night. Winds are blowing at 35 knots, which is 1.15 times miles per hour, I think is how you calculate it. So roughly 40 miles per hour. And this thing is just sitting there traveling right along.

Jeremy Corbell

Yeah, so that is interesting. You know, look, I did mention that these were sizable machines. And that's something to take into consideration. You know, these aren't commercial drones or even how we understand military drones to be. The gusts of wind were intense at the time. Great. But the big thing that gets me and this is evidence that will be provided at a later date, you know, these objects were in varying speeds from you know, 40, the objects themselves the UFOs, that, you know, from from 40 knots all the way up to 138 knots, like 150 miles an hour. You know, I know the drones we have, the thing that was most interesting to a lot of individuals involved with witnessing and recording and documenting and being part of this event series was the longevity, that the duration, the endurance, as they would say, of these objects. I mean, they lasted way over an hour out there. So to have high powered lights to be that brazen to make all the maneuvers to be fighting against the wind to be hitting speeds like that, and then slowing down. That takes battery power. So this is fascinating. And also they never found where these things came from or went to. So they don't know where they're launching from or going from. I mean, maybe it's the water because that's what we're seeing one do. We know for sure one appears to go into the water? I don't know. There's more questions than there are answers. I would love for this to be US American technology that just somehow everybody's miscommunicating on. However, I do see that if that is true, then it doesn't matter whose they are. This represents a technology that is profound just on the energy conservation of propulsion. So that's interesting to begin with.

George Knapp

Also what we're not seeing, we're not seeing rotors, or exhaust, any evidence of any known propulsion system. That's just the flying part. And then something else happens that we're gonna see now we'll just continue the video.

*** VIDEO ***

George Knapp

Alright Jeremy, when they say splash, I don't see a splash. So splash doesn't mean literally splash, right?

Jeremy Corbell

Yeah, correct. This is something just meaning it appears to have gone into the water. And that's what they're saying, like a splashdown, it's just a term that has nothing to do with a splash. You notice that immediately, they want to find out, you know, maybe send out a helicopter, like find out how, you know, retrieve the parts, maybe. But again, I'll tell you, I'll stand firmly behind this, there was a sub that went and found nothing. So no destruction. And again, it was a sizable object. So splash means that's when it appears to descend into the water, like a transmedium vehicle would, where something can go from air to sea to sky to space without resistance in a way, you know, I'm hoping that's what it was.

George Knapp

I mean we call it a drone. Or it might be called a UAV or UAS, whatever you want to call it. It's flying along beside this ship for an hour or so. Then after it figures, it's got enough close ups, it goes into the water, pretty dramatic little incident there. And then there were attempts to pursue it, to figure out what happened, to look for debris if it crashed, to see where it went. I mean, this is a surveillance ship, it's packed with surveillance gear, it has other ships and assets around it. They went looking for this thing, did they find it?

Jeremy Corbell

They did not find it. And really, let's take a step back. We don't know when these objects were appearing and disappearing, at one time 14 with this event series over the course of three days, that was the largest number on the screen. We don't know if they were going in and out constantly of the water, we can't make the assumption that we know. We've got one that appears to be going in the water, again, appears to be because there was no destruction, there was no craft, there was nothing they could find. That's why people are thinking it's transmedium. It was going in the water to be able to go. And we just don't know. We do know that these things were illuminated. And that's what's so interesting. It's so brazen, you know, these things were swarming, not just, you know, kind of like, far off. But there were many that were all around in different areas on the ship, you know, there might be footage from the deck of the ship, you know, filming up into inky darkness of lights, that gives you a reason or an understanding of why these would be designated drones. The people involved that I think would have been in a position to have influence or say on how these things were designated, the biggest comments that I've been getting is that drone was just this catch all phrase because of the maneuverability, because of this the size, not of any body that they saw, not have any rotors that they heard, but just of the ball of light that was observable. So this idea that it was a drone was really, some people said to me, that they felt that they had failed in their duties, that this should have been investigated better, that for some reason, it was as if they were more curious than they were threatened. And so this idea that these are drones, okay, cool. Well, the people that actually made that designation, aren't saying they know they're drones. So the idea is, who has the capabilities that these technologies represent? That's what we want to know. Because we can figure out intent once we know who is behind it.

George Knapp

Well, I mean, I think Chris Mellon, and maybe some others have said, if some foreign power has been able to take this kind of a technological leap, or it can

create objects with no known propulsion system that can sneak up on a surveillance ship, a ship designed for surveillance, and then disappear and you can't track it. You don't know where it came from. It performs things that we can't do, it can fly along, and then go into the ocean and just disappear. That's technology we don't have and it would represent a massive intelligence failure on our part, if that technology belongs to China or Russia or some other adversary.

Jeremy Corbell

Yeah, look, if this one particular UFO, USO, UAP, whatever you want to call it if it did go into the water without destruction as it appears. I mean, this is huge. This is transmedium vehicles. We do not have that. So everything is identified. Well, I mean, we have that but not in the capabilities we're seeing. So everything is unidentified until identified. So even in the UAPTF reports that we have been exposed to, to some degree, the world has, they don't know what these things are. But we do know what they're not. And that's important. These are not conventional drones as we know them, if they are transmedium, just the flight power alone to be out there. It's very interesting when we start looking at different cases, like the Tic Tac case, the Gimbal case, and you start putting these in that mosaic. Man, this becomes really interesting, because the question is, we can defend against drones, we have that capability. Drones are not a problem for the United States. This is something Lue (Elizondo) has said, this is not me saying it. So with that said, what's going on here that spans so many ships over the course of so many days, that everybody's recording and documenting, we have everything from pyramidal shaped objects to these spherical, lit up, transmedium, it appears, vehicles that drop into the water. This is astounding. Whoever has this technology, we got to find out who it is.

George Knapp

We are jointly releasing this material, you on extraordinarybeliefs.com, and us on Mystery Wire high noon, and the world can look at it and debate. And hopefully, in the days ahead, we'll get a statement from the Pentagon of whether or not they acknowledge this video as being also recorded by the Navy and whether or not maybe the UAP Task Force is now taking a look at the same images that we have shared with the world.

Jeremy Corbell

Yeah, look, if we can have a positive influence on the process that is underway right now to inform the American and global public about the nature of the presence of UFOs on planet Earth. If we can provide more information that then has to be included in the UAP Task Force mission in what they're doing. They can get a full time staff for this and we can get a great report in the summer. Man, that would be so cool. But all we're doing, you and I are presenting information that we know to be accurate, and that it is real Navy footage that these events happened as we described, it is now up to the public, to analyze, to look, to ask questions, to knock on doors. We're just providing some information saying we don't know these are unidentified, but they're really cool.

George Knapp

Yeah. All right. And suffice to say, we'll have further details about this image. There may be some other things coming real soon.

Jeremy Corbell

Yes, there is.

George Knapp

Thanks Jeremy.

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Navy Vet Claims USS KIDD had UFO Encounter in 2019

Unknown's avatar

June 11, 2020

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Did the USS KIDD have a UFO encounter in 2019? That's what a Navy Vet has claimed in communication with Dave Beaty, the creator of the Nimitz Encounters. Keep in mind the Navy Vet's claim is unverified. The goal of this blog and Dave Beaty's investigation is to kick up dust in the hopes of procuring additional information. Beaty has stressed this is raw information and to "not get too excited." This is also coming from a single source. Many investigators prefer multiple sources to corroborate a story.

The Nimitz Encounters Film:

Since Beaty released the Nimitz Encounters film, and asked for witnesses to contact him, he has gotten messages from multiple people and heard many stories. Something that makes this story unique, is Beaty was able to FOIA the USS KIDD

deck logs and find a corroborating, but possibly circumstantial hint, an intelligence "Snoobie Team" was active. Do these deck logs describe a "Snoobie Team" training exercise? Was the Snoobie Team investigating a UAV controlled by contemporary technology? A Plane? Or is this in fact another example of a Nimitz style Tic Tac event? To make matters more interesting, the USS KIDD was reportedly near the same area the Nimitz events occurred.

About the Snoobie Teams, Beaty says:

From what I know, the Snoobie Team is from the ship's intel section. All CG and DDG ships have them. They are comprised of 1-2 photographers/videographers that film the unidentified or target ship or aircraft with high powered lenses and notate all the details for later analysis. Most likely ship intel shipmates that are tasked with this extra detail. On call 24/7.

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A "Snoobie Team" collecting intelligence.

Dave Beaty posted this on social media, describing what happened:

Recently I received the USS Kidd (DDG-100) deck logs from the navy for July of 2019. The USS Kidd is a Burke Class Destroyer with the AEGIS combat system. They were operating in the same SoCal OPAREA that USS Princeton and Nimitz were in over 15 years ago when they encountered the Tic Tacs.

This all started a few months back when I was contacted out of the blue by a retired navy vet who was on the USS Chafee as part of the 2004 Nimitz Strike Group. He told me he was part of that "shit show" (the Tic Tac encounters) and that his ship was deeply involved in that incident. You may know about my FOIA's of USS Chafee and other ships from that workup. They revealed that on Nov 14 2004 the Chafee was en route from Hawaii to San Diego California. So Chafee was not physically present during the events of Nov 10-14. This former Chief Warrant Officer indicated he was a CW03 at the time and the AICS - I think that means Air Intercept Controller - on Chafee. He said that not only did Chafee control an intercept on Dec 04 with the Tic Tac objects, but he also said a former shipmate had contacted him about the similar USS Kidd encounters in 2019.

He does not want to be named at this time. This is what he reported to me:

Dec 2004

"We had already arrived and had been on station for a while when it happened. I'm thinking it was early Dec 04 based solely on my log book. We were doing some COMPTUEX stuff in SOCAL. All of my OSs were talking about it in CIC and I know at least one who will vouch for what I'm telling you. "

"One of my controllers and I ran an intercept on one of these early on because we had a 1 vs 1 go up (F/A-18 BFM) and one of the jets went down for maintenance before launch so it was up as a single ship. We got permission from "Whickey" and they ran out on it. At intercept, the pilot was radio silent but once he came back on the radio he was freaked out and said he had never seen anything perform like that as it descended vertically right in from of him."

"I've been freaked out about this for 15+ years, always waiting for the "men in black" to show up. 🤖 We were told to box up the audiotapes and send them over to the carrier. After that, I told my controller to not speak of it anymore because something was up. Another buddy of mine that was on Chafee with me retired as an OSCS said they had the same kind of stuff happen last year in SOCAL!"

I asked about it. His reply,

"It was in July of 2019 on USS Kidd During the USS Theodore Roosevelt SWATT in SOCAL."

So back to the USS Kidd I started off this post with. In the deck logs I am examining I found an interesting entry. This is after 2AM towards the end of July. A "Snoobie Team" is called up and away to check out the UAV's. After doing some research I determined the "Snoobie Team" aboard a Destroyer is tasked as an intelligence detail to try and identify unknown ships and aircraft that come within the visual range of the ship. They use the various optics and sensors available to track and photograph and videotape the intruder in order to ID it. At this time the CO is also on deck. This could mean the captain was awake at 2am and also aware of this event. I don't have clarification on any of this yet. But sharing it since it's very interesting and our members love this kind of raw info!

UAV could mean Unmanned Aerial Vehicle or Unidentified Aerial Vehicle. I've seen the navy use both terms.

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"Here is another Snoobie Team for UAV and CO visit from the logs about 5 days before the one I posted above. 1:23 AM Local." - Dave Beaty

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This log describes "red flares."

flares highlight

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Beaty continued with additional quotes from the unnamed Navy Vet, unedited:

My contact knows his (stuff). So when he tells me something, this guy is legit as they come people. He said his friend on USS KIDD said about the 2019 Tic Tac:

"I know he said he could see them with the naked eye and they were almost eye level with the bridge hovering. They were the same tic-tac shaped objects."

He added, "I am not sure what exercise they were involved in and if that was exercise Snoobie Team call outs or if that was for an exercise or actual. Calling away the Snoobie Team in US waters is definitely not something normally done and doing so at night is really unusual. The team's main purpose is to help ID a vessel of interest or document something unusual about a vessel or aircraft. If they were involved in a massive group exercise at the time with OPFOR ships in the exercise then it could be exercise."

BTW Nothing in the logs indicate a training exercise or general quarters...

Is this all circumstantial? Is it a coincidence the Snoobie Team was active? Was the team collecting evidence from a foreign adversary's UAV? Or is this evidence of a recent UFO event?

If you have more information about this event you can contact Dave Beaty here.

UPDATE:

New FOIAs and info.

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Marc-André

June 12, 2020

I love the "not get too excited" of Dave Beaty! Let's be real excited when we see something real and let's be prudent when we might face someone in need of attention.

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Brent Hale's avatar

Brent Hale

June 12, 2020

Extremely interesting, Danny. Never knew SNOOPIE Teams existed. Wouldn't doubt they have had a good number of UAP sightings and related events happen. Really causes one to wonder what else they may have seen or been tasked to observe? Keep us informed and always keep up the excellent work!

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Dave Haith's avatar

Dave Haith

June 12, 2020

This is what I call real UFO investigation.

Full credit to Dave Beaty for digging so deep and for Danny Silva for documenting it all.

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Yohan's avatar

Yohan

June 12, 2020

Snoopy teams are comprised of shipboard OS personnel aboard USGC cutters. Before the establishment of the OS/IS rates in (2003 approx) RDs and TCs staffed the snoopy teams. Logs would reflect all activity. Just like on the navy ship sites here.

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Dave Beaty

June 13, 2020

Thanks for posting this Danny Silva. We don't know what happened on USS Kidd. It's pretty interesting. I have a FOIA out to ONI for any report from this ship on these dates. Even if it's classified, perhaps there is some confirmation this is a UAP and not a training mission. Fingers crossed that this is another current example of the very real engagements by US military personnel with anomalous aerial objects.

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Ben Lovegrove's avatar

Ben Lovegrove

July 17, 2020

This is excellent work, thank you. I came straight here while listening to you

talk to George Knapp on the Mystery Wire podcast. We now have a new term to look out for: 'Snoobie Team'.

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Master of Limitation's avatar

Master of Limitation

August 12, 2020

Very interesting. Nice work. Much appreciated. Taking photos and videos at night is difficult for civilians, but I'd imagine there are pretty good UV/night vision photos and videos they snagged. I'm interested in updates to this story.

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Bill White's avatar

Bill White

April 9, 2021

So interesting and worthy of followup.

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Gary

April 10, 2021

I was on my ships Snoobie team . I was a photographer on the Nimitz and the Blue Ridge . Usually photographed ships at a distance or planes checking us out never any UFOs . That's pretty crazy . I don't doubt those guys one second

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Multiple Destroyers Were Swarmed By Mysterious 'Drones' Off California Over Numerous Nights

The disturbing series of events during the summer of 2019 resulted in an investigation that made its way to the highest echelons of the Navy.

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In July of 2019, a truly bizarre series of events unfolded around California's Channel Islands. Over a number of days, groups of unidentified aircraft, which the U.S. Navy simply refers to as 'drones' or 'UAVs,' pursued that service's vessels, prompting a high-level investigation.

During the evening encounters, as many as six aircraft were reported swarming around the ships at once. The drones were described as flying for prolonged periods in low-visibility conditions, and performing brazen maneuvers over the Navy warships near a sensitive military training range less than 100 miles off Los Angeles. The ensuing investigation included elements of the Navy, Coast Guard, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). The incidents received major attention, including from the Chief of Naval Operations—the apex of the Navy's chain of command.

The following is our own investigation into these events, during which we discovered these events were far more extensive in scale than previously understood.

A Strange Story Emerges

Last year, documentary filmmaker Dave Beaty uncovered initial details about the events, centering on the Arleigh Burke class destroyer USS Kidd (DDG-100). That initial account described a tense encounter, culminating in the deployment of onboard intelligence teams.

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USS Kidd., USN

New documents significantly expand the public's knowledge of the scope and severity of that incident and reveal others that occurred around the same time. These details come largely from our Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests, which resulted in the disclosure of deck logs from the ships involved. Additionally, our investigation utilized hundreds of gigabytes of automatic identification system (AIS) ship location data to forensically reconstruct the position of both military and civilian ships in the area during this strange series of events.

By using the USS Kidd's position as a starting point, we were able to identify several other ships in close proximity to it during the incidents in question, including U.S. Navy destroyers USS Rafael Peralta, USS Russell, USS John Finn, and the USS Paul Hamilton. Subsequent FOIA requests for these ships' records allowed us to build a composite picture of the events as a whole.

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Night One: July 14th, 2019

It appears the incidents began with an initial 'UAV' sighting by the USS Kidd around 10:00 PM on the night of July 14th, 2019. Deck logs like the one below

provide information about the course and speed of the ship. Additionally, they record any other relevant information about unusual events or changes in the ship's behavior. This log records the first drone sighting:

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Navy via FOIA

As previously reported, two drones, typically described as UAVs or unmanned aerial vehicles throughout the logs, were spotted by the Kidd. The Ship Nautical Or Otherwise Photographic Interpretation and Exploitation team, or "SNOOPIE team," refers to an onboard photographic intelligence team tasked with documenting unknown contacts, events of interest, and other objects of interest on short order.

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A member of a destroyer's SNOOPIE team with a video camera in hand., USN Though an Aegis-equipped ship like the USS Kidd has some of the most sophisticated sensors on earth, sailors equipped with consumer-grade cameras act as a kind of nimble spotting and event recording team, able to quickly adapt to changing conditions while providing situational awareness and recording what they see through traditional video and photo methods. You can see a SNOOPIE team in action and one of their products in the video below:

(2/2) USS Chancellorsville Avoids Collision with Russian Destroyer Udaloy I DD 572

Moments after the sighting on July 14th, the USS Kidd entered into a condition of restricted communications designed to enhance operational security and enhance survivability. This is noted throughout many of the logs as "River City 1." During the events, the ships often engaged "emissions control," or EMCON, protocols designed to minimize their electronic emissions profile.

Less than 10 minutes after the sighting, the USS Kidd advised the USS Rafael Peralta of the situation. The USS Rafael Peralta logs show that at around 10:00 PM it activated its own SNOOPIE team. They also show that reports of additional sightings were coming in from the USS John Finn.

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Navy via FOIA

For its part, the logs of the USS John Finn simply reported possible UAV activity, and deactivation of the ship's AIS transponder system. In fact, the selective deactivation of AIS was a challenge for us in reconstructing ship positions, as we sometimes had to rely on cross-comparison of deck logs to locate the position of the ships.

Shortly after the initial sighting, a red flashing light was spotted.

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Navy via FOIA

Among the more dramatic entries in the logs from this incident is the one below from the USS Rafael Peralta, describing a white light hovering over the ship's flight deck.

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Navy via FOIA

The log reflects that the drone managed to match the destroyer's speed with the craft moving at 16 knots in order to maintain a hovering position over the ship's helicopter landing pad. To further complicate what was already a complex maneuver, the drone was operating in low visibility conditions (less than a nautical mile) and at night.

By this point, the encounter had lasted over 90 minutes—significantly longer than what commercially available drones can typically sustain.

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The red-lit bridge of an Arleigh Burke class destroyer at night., USN

According to AIS data, few civilian ships were in the immediate vicinity. AIS is not strictly mandatory in all cases, and can be turned off, so it is possible other vessels could have been nearby, as well. The civilian bulk carrier Bass Strait, cited later in the investigation, was situated towards the northern edge of the encounter area. A Liberian-flagged oil tanker, the Sigma Triumph, was just south of the position of the three destroyers. The ORV Alguita, a 50-foot catamaran, briefly a subject of interest in the official investigation that would come, was just off the western tip of San Clemente Island. Importantly, San Clemente Island is owned by the Navy and is frequently used for military training and testing purposes.

The following map shows maritime traffic around the ports of Los Angeles and San Diego on July 14th. The position of each ship at 10:00 PM is marked with a black indicator, and the track of the ship before and after the incident time is marked with colored dots. The approximate positions of each cluster of ships are numerically marked.

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Author's illustration

The two groups of destroyers and the ORV Alguita form a roughly triangular shape with each side approximately 50 nautical miles long, containing an area just over 1000 square nautical miles. The Bass Strait and the USS Paul Hamilton were in relatively close proximity at marker one. The ORV Alguita was off the northern tip of San Clemente Island at marker two. The USS Kidd was at marker three, and the formation of three destroyers was at marker four. The tanker Sigma Triumph was just to the west of the formation of three destroyers, at marker five.

Night Two: July 15th, 2019

Due to new FOIA disclosures, we now know that another major series of incursions occurred on the following night, July 15th, 2019.

This time, the USS Rafael Peralta was the first to spot the objects and to deploy its SNOOPIE teams at 8:39 PM.

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Navy via FOIA

By 9:00 PM, the USS Kidd had also spotted the drones and again deployed its SNOOPIE team. The drones seem to have pursued the ships, even as they continued to maneuver throughout the incident.

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Navy via FOIA

By 9:20 PM, the USS Kidd logs simply remark "Multiple UAVs around ship" - with the word "above" crossed out:

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Navy via FOIA

17 minutes later, the command is issued to man Mark 87 stations:

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Navy via FOIA

The meaning of this is not exactly clear, but it could be referring to the Mark 87 Electro-Optical Director that is a component of the massive infrared and optical turret known as the Mk20 Electro-Optical Sighting System (EOSS) located above the bridge. This system was originally meant to help direct the ship's 5-inch gun, but also provides surveillance and tracking over long distances. The War Zone has done a complete profile on this powerful optical system, which could have been useful in trying to understand what was going on around the ship and to possibly identify the drones at night.

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The Mk20 EOSS., USN/L3Harris

The reference could also be in regards to the ship's 25mm/87 Mk38 chain guns

that are also equipped for remote use via a FLIR ball, although this is less likely. There is also the Mk 87 line throwing rifle adapter used for firing lines to other ships during underway replenishment and other activities, but this makes little sense in the context of the moment.

At approximately the same time, the USS Russell records a frenzy of activity:

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Navy via FOIA

The logs describe drones dropping in elevation, and apparently moving forward and backward, left and right.

Meanwhile, the USS Rafael Peralta received a radio call from a passing cruise ship, the Carnival Imagination, notifying them that the drones are not theirs, and that they also see as many as five or six drones maneuvering nearby:

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Navy via FOIA

The incident continued into the night, with the USS Rafael Peralta first recording two UAVs and then four UAVs near their ship:

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Navy via FOIA

Approaching midnight, the USS Russell reports a final sighting:

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Navy via FOIA

Despite the nearly three-hour duration of the event, none of the warships involved appear to have been able to identify the drones.

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An Arleigh Burke destroyer underway at night., USN

In contrast to the first night, the second set of encounters occurred closer to shore. Several of the drone sightings placed their position between San Clemente Island and San Diego. The approximate positions of the ships and drone sightings are depicted below. Note that the track dots indicate the position of the ships throughout the event, with a larger black dot indicating the position of each ship near the start of the incident at 8:45 PM.

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Author's illustration

The Official Investigation

As might be expected for such an unusual set of encounters, a formal investigation appears to have been launched immediately. The first email we obtained was dated July 17th, and referenced earlier phone conversations.

By the morning of July 18th, a Navy liaison to the Coast Guard began requesting updates for information on vessels involved in the encounter, citing "higher-level visibility."

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Navy via FOIA

An hour later, a special agent with Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS), assigned to 3rd Fleet as a "Staff CI Officer," with CI likely standing for "counter-intelligence," thanked a colleague in the Coast Guard. They mentioned that the information would go directly to the commander of the Pacific Fleet and to the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) – the top of the Navy hierarchy, and a member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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Navy via FOIA

It appears the initial focus of their investigation was the ORV Alguita. An email sent just 10 minutes later expressed the need to relay information about

the ship to a larger team.

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Navy via FOIA

By this time, an agent with the Los Angeles office of the FBI was included in the email chain. Preliminary information indicated that while the ORV Alguita did have drones onboard, they had very limited capabilities.

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Navy via FOIA

A follow-up email on the evening of July 18th indicated that the Coast Guard had contacted the ship directly via satellite phone. Based on the subject line reference to San Nicolas Island and the time period given by investigators, it seems the ORV Alguita was being examined specifically for the events of July 14th.

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Navy via FOIA

The investigators had encountered several problems at this point. The owners of the Alguita denied operating a drone during the time in question, and claimed that their drones were incapable of operating more than a few feet from the ship. Further, the Phantom IV drone is a small quadcopter and has a maximum flight time of 28 minutes, according to manufacturer DJI, which is inconsistent with the long durations of the incidents and general performance described as observed in the deck logs.

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Phantom 4 Pro., DJI

Although not referenced in these emails, the Alguita was also significantly west of the events of the second night, July 15th, based on AIS data. Apparently recognizing that ORV Alguita was a poor fit, investigators conceded that they needed to keep looking. Emails reflect that Navy intelligence began to take a more active role in the investigation by July 19th, with the director of the Maritime Intelligence Operations Center (MIOC) within 3rd Fleet, identified by the acronym C3F, "looping in" the rest of the command's intelligence office, or N2.

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Navy via FOIA

Investigators next sought to rule out the possibility that the drones were operated by the Navy itself. By Tuesday of the following week, a representative from the Fleet Area Control and Surveillance Facility (FACSFAC) based in San Diego clarified that UAVs were only operated by the Navy in certain limited areas. They then provided the following map of operational areas (OPAREAS) with a breakdown of platforms in use.

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Navy via FOIA

Somewhat cryptically, one of the investigators referenced "recent observations" and further clarified the need to "correlate or rule out operations." He further requested data detailing operations between the 14th to the 17th of July.

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Navy via FOIA

FACSFAC San Diego, in turn, sent spreadsheets of scheduled activity during that time, and explained that UAV operations are highlighted in yellow. Though the flight schedules released to us for July 14th are completely redacted, the underlying highlighting is visible. No yellow highlighting can be seen for July 14th:

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Navy via FOIA

By the afternoon of July 23, the investigators were still grappling with determining the intent behind the incidents.

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Navy via FOIA

The last email disclosed to us was from July 25th. It references a classified briefing on drones (referred to here as UAS).

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Navy via FOIA

A further FOIA request for information about these briefings was denied due to their classification level. After July 25th, the email trail turns cold.

Remarkably, the drone incidents began occurring again around this time. Renewed sightings occurred during the early hours of July 25th and July 30th, just as investigators were beginning to examine classified briefings and were apparently still seeking to identify the intent behind the July 14th and 15th incursions.

The incident on the 25th involving the USS Kidd began around 1:20 AM, with the SNOOPIE team being deactivated around 1:52 AM.

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Navy via FOIA

The incident on July 30th was longer, with the team activated around 2:15 AM and only deactivated by 3:27 AM:

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Navy via FOIA

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Navy via FOIA

These later incidents are notable because they occurred during the investigation, and after FACSAC San Diego had been closely consulted.

At the time of writing, we do not have complete deck logs for the month of July except for USS Kidd, so it remains uncertain if other ships also continued to have drone encounters later in the month.

Further information continues to emerge from FOIA requests, but based on the available evidence it appears that the initial investigation did not ultimately identify the source of the drones.

Increasingly Pressing Questions

Cumulatively, these new details raise a host of difficult questions.

It is unclear why anyone would operate drones near Navy warships in such a brazen manner. Commercially available drones are not commonly capable of flying for such long durations across great distances with speeds in excess of 45 miles an hour. Based on the pooled data available from the deck logs, we estimate the drones traversed at least 100 nautical miles in the July 14th incident.

Furthermore, the drones were able to locate and catch a destroyer traveling at 16 knots in conditions with less than one nautical mile of visibility. Equally baffling, their operators appear to have coordinated at least five to six drones simultaneously. Then there is the question of line-of-sight control, and control methods in general, which make the capabilities described all that much more puzzling.

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To be sure, San Clemente Island and nearby training area FLETA HOT are hosts to a bevy of testing, which can include classified programs. Is it possible that the drones were operated by the military itself in an errant test of some kind?

If so, the incursions continued after a concerted investigation that reached the highest level of the Navy hierarchy. It also appears that no UAV activity was

scheduled by FASFAC San Diego during July 14th. On the other hand, it is a general area where extremely strange things have occurred in the past.

If the drones were not operated by the American military, these incidents represent a highly significant security breach. If they were part of some kind of covert action, it is nonetheless unclear why they were flown so openly and so frequently in almost a harassing manner. More troubling still, if a foreign state actor was involved, where exactly were the drones launched from?

One thing is fairly sure: the U.S. Navy has a large amount of data on these events. The documents above reflect that multiple independent photographic intelligence teams were deployed. These teams are only a small part of a sophisticated suite of surveillance capabilities and advanced sensors, including the ability to detect radio emissions in the vessels' vicinity, available to any one of the ships involved. This is on top of the land-based sensors that closely surveil the area. In fact, it is puzzling that those sensors, coupled with a likely extensive photographic record, were not sufficient in and of themselves to resolve the matter. This calls into question the "drone" designation. Was there ever even a hard description of these craft beyond lights in the sky?

The question remains: who was operating these craft with apparent impunity, and for what purpose, and was this extremely bizarre case ever resolved?

Our investigation into this event is still underway and we will update you as soon as more information becomes available.

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The object, which does resemble a jellyfish, moved through a sensitive military installation before moving over water, where it began what Corbell describes as a controlled descent before submerging.

After 17 minutes, the UAP reemerged from the water and disappeared at a high rate of speed.

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The UFO photographer and his wife were interviewed at their home. According to the officer's account the UFO incident occurred about 11:00 a.m., when the plane was about 25 mi. SW of Provo. He had turned control of the C-47 over to the co-pilot and gotten his camera ready to take pictures of the mountains ahead. He had set the shutter of his camera [VITO CL Voightlander, Lanthar 2.8 lens] at 1/500 sec. exposure, and adjusted the iris reading to give proper exposure as indicated by the built-in coupled light meter. [This was f 5.6 to 8, he thought]. He was using high speed Ektachrome film, EH 35, ASA 160. He was thus ready to take pictures of the mountains, with camera held in his hands in his lap, when the unknown object appeared at about "ten o'clock." He quickly photographed the object, wound the camera, and got a second picture before the object sped upward and to the right, out of view. He had lost sight of the object momentarily as it went behind the compass at the center of the windshield, then saw it again briefly as it passed through the visible top left corner of the right windshield before the cockpit ceiling blocked his view of the object. The object had been in sight only a few seconds, and had moved in a sweeping path in front of the plane, appearing to accelerate, but making no sudden changes in direction or speed. The officer judged the time interval the object was visible by the time necessary for him to bring the camera up to his eye, snap a picture, wind the film (a single stroke, lever advance), and snap the second picture. This required only a few seconds, and the object vanished very soon after the second picture was taken.

The co-pilot was busy with computations, and did not look up in time to see the object. In earlier telephone conversation, the officer said he told the co-pilot he had just taken a picture of something and the co-pilot's response was a disinterested "that's nice." The officer stated that the co-pilot didn't know but that he had photographed the left wing of the plane, or something of that sort. In the taped interview, the officer stated that he had asked the co-pilot if he had seen the object that the officer had just photographed, and the co-pilot had said he did not. According to this account, the co-pilot should have known that the pilot had photographed an unidentified object but neither reported the incident upon landing.

From Provo to the next check point, Battle Mountain, Idaho, the direction of flight was slightly north of west. The witness felt they were flying SW at the time of sighting, and may have still been in a turn after passing the Provo checkpoint. If the bright spot on the picture of the object is a specular reflection as it appears, and if the object was at the photographer's twelve o'clock position at 11:00 a.m., the position of the specular reflection would require the plane to have been in a heading between east and north.

The officer's wife supported his story that they had had the roll of film developed several months after the UFO pictures were taken. The officer stated

that there were pictures already on the roll before the UFO shots were taken and after the UFO pictures were taken in July, and the roll was finished during September and October. These later pictures showed park and mountain scenes, as well as a snowstorm scene.

The witness was aware that frame numbers printed on the slides (14 and 11) did not agree with his story that they were taken consecutively on the roll (14 before 11). He indicated, however, that all pictures on the roll were numbered erroneously.

Removal of slides from their mountings revealed that the numbers on the mountings were consistent with frame numbers on the edge of the film itself. Each number on the film was one integer lower than the number on the mounting. This held true also for the UFO shots, frame numbers 11 and 14 yielding pictures with numbers ten and 13 shown on the film edge. These numbers show rather conclusively that the UFO pictures were taken after the snow-storm, rather than in July when the witness was still in the Air Force. They also were not taken on consecutive frames of the roll, and were taken in an order reversed to that claimed. The numbering examination was witnessed by five project staff members.

Conclusion:

In view of the discrepancies, detailed analysis of the photographs did not seem justifiable. They were returned to the officer with our comment that they obviously could not be used by us to support claims that the object photographed was other than an ordinary object of earthly origin thrown into the air.

Short discussion:

The Condon investigators seem to suggest some discrepancies between the pilot and co-pilot, supposing that the co-pilot should have been aware that the pilot photographed a UFO.

There is nothing in the account to clearly support this allegation, which is just one of the many insinuations against witness that the Condon committee has been accustomed to produce. The pilot photographed the object while the co-pilot was not looking, and later the pilot asked him if he had seen "the object he just photographed" and the co-pilot said that he did not. There is no reason to state that the copilot should have known about the UFO picture. Moreover, the pilot did not report it for fear of ridicule, and even if the co-pilot had seen the object, it is likely that he would have said he did not for the same reason. The pilot only spoke about it after he left service, and only under the condition that his name is not published.

Condon investigators have indicated that "The cloud background was similar in the two pictures, showing the object to have moved about 100 to the right in picture two as compared with number one."

Although the unit of the move (100 meters? 100 feet? 100 yards) is not indicated, it is clear that the object has moved "to the right," rather horizontally more than vertically. This indicates that the object did not strictly "fall" or "raise up", unless the picture had been taken only at a slightly low altitude and had shown an object thrown in the air at an angle, at the moment when it stopped raising and started falling, at the peak of its supposed hyperbolic course.

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Condon investigators noted that the two pictures were not consecutive frames, the least that should have been said is what the two frames between the frames

with the alleged UFO did show. The same skies without the UFO because it would have been out of the frames? Or completely unrelated pictures? Obviously a clear information about these two frames would have been sufficient to clear the case, or supportive of the case.

Condon investigators are questioning the order of the sequence, but at the same time consider the order as reliable to state that the pictures were not taken in July when the pilot was still in the Air Force. This is a discrepancy created by the investigators rather than the witness.

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New conclusion:

The commission has searched for discrepancies and made some unspoken allegations of "object thrown in the air", and decided that any detailed analysis of the pictures is "unjustifiable."

The Condon commission's conclusion is not a conclusion in itself, it is not acceptable in strictly scientific terms. Concluding a study by a decision not to perform a detailed analysis cannot be an acceptable conclusion to a study.

The Condon commission has failed to its mission, which was claimed as a "thorough" investigation of the UFO phenomenon. Rather than a detailed analysis of the photographs themselves, they have tried to list "discrepancies" surrounding the photograph.

Just like thousands of other UFO photographic evidence that could have supported eyewitness testimonies or radar records, these photographs have subsequently been considered as no evidence of the reality of UFOs.

Interestingly enough, while hundreds of pictures of natural phenomenon and proved hoaxes were attached to the Condon report for everyone to see, this picture was not attached to their report. One can only assume that the Condon Commission did not favor the idea of letting readers to make their own judgement on the most interesting UFO photographs.

There is no wonder that this pilot, like many other pilots, stated "I knew that people were ridiculed for reporting such things."

These photographs should be fully and thoroughly analyzed.

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The US Air Force has a large collection of UFO photographs captured by its own personal during UFO sightings.

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One of the two photographs:

The pilot of a twin engine C-47 "Skytrain" transport aircraft of the USAF captured this reddish object on photograph in July 1966 at 11:00am. The aircraft was flying over the Rocky Mountains, at about 40 kilometers South-West of Provo, Utah.

USAF 1966

The Condon commission, which concluded that UFOs are no worth of scientific investigations, did analyze the negative at the time and concluded that the photograph shows an ordinary object thrown in the air. Underneath, I am examining this claim.

USAF 1966, enlargement

The Condon report about this photograph:

Abstract:

A retired Air Force pilot presented two 35 mm. slides, showing a red saucer-like object against a background of sky and clouds. He claimed to have taken the pictures from the pilot's seat of a C-47 in flight before he retired from the Air Force. The witness' reputation is irreproachable. Frame numbers on the slides and others from the same film roll raised the question whether the pictures were taken under the conditions claimed.

Background:

On 9 January 1968 we received two 35 mm. color slides, each showing a distinct flying-saucer-like object against a background of broken clouds. The object was brick-red, flat on the bottom, with a dome on top and a dark band which looked like windows around the dome. One slide was generally blurred, while the other showed sharp outlines of the object against the clouds. A very bright area, spanning one portion of the window-like dark band and extending onto the metallic-appearing body of the object, had the appearance of specular reflection. The cloud background was similar in the two pictures, showing the object to have moved about 100 to the right in picture two as compared with number one.

According to accompanying information, the pictures were taken in Summer 1966 by an officer in the Air Force. He said he had been piloting a C-47 over the Rocky Mountains when he took the UFO pictures from his plane. The co-pilot was busy computing expected destination arrival times, and did not see the object, which was visible only a few seconds. No one else saw the object or knew that the pilot had taken the pictures. The now retired officer was currently employed at one of the FAA control centers, where he had shown the pictures to friends. As a result of this showing, the slides were obtained and, with the photographer's permission, sent to the project for evaluation.

Frames of the two slides carried the processing date of December 1966. The blurred slide carried the slide number 14, and the sharper slide carried the number 11 on its frame. There was no evidence of airplane window framing or window dirt or reflection on either slide. Lighting of the clouds gave the appearance that one was indeed looking at the tops of sunlit clouds. The pictures were said to have been taken consecutively at about 11:00 a.m. local time on a day in July, and to have been left in the camera, undeveloped, until the rest of the roll was exposed and commercially developed in December 1966. The incident had never been reported to the Air Force because, the officer said he knew that people were ridiculed for reporting such things, and the pictures had not been shown to anyone outside the officer's family for a year after development.

The ex-pilot consented to our examination of his photographs on condition that his identity would not be revealed.

Investigation:

Checking the window structure of DC-3 planes (courtesy of Frontier Airlines), which are the same as C-47s, revealed that it would be quite easy to take 35 mm. pictures through the windshield, at ten or twelve o'clock from the pilot's position, without getting any part of the windshield framework in the field of view of the camera.

The UFO photographer and his wife were interviewed at their home. According to the officer's account the UFO incident occurred about 11:00 a.m., when the plane was about 25 mi. SW of Provo. He had turned control of the C-47 over to the co-pilot and gotten his camera ready to take pictures of the mountains ahead. He had set the shutter of his camera [VITO CL Voightlander, Lanthar 2.8 lens] at 1/500 sec. exposure, and adjusted the iris reading to give proper exposure as indicated by the built-in coupled light meter. [This was f 5.6 to 8, he thought]. He was using high speed Ektachrome film, EH 35, ASA 160. He was thus ready to take pictures of the mountains, with camera held in his hands in his lap, when the unknown object appeared at about "ten o'clock." He quickly photographed the object, wound the camera, and got a second picture before the object sped upward and to the right, out of view. He had lost sight of the

object momentarily as it went behind the compass at the center of the windshield, then saw it again briefly as it passed through the visible top left corner of the right windshield before the cockpit ceiling blocked his view of the object. The object had been in sight only a few seconds, and had moved in a sweeping path in front of the plane, appearing to accelerate, but making no sudden changes in direction or speed. The officer judged the time interval the object was visible by the time necessary for him to bring the camera up to his eye, snap a picture, wind the film (a single stroke, lever advance), and snap the second picture. This required only a few seconds, and the object vanished very soon after the second picture was taken.

The co-pilot was busy with computations, and did not look up in time to see the object. In earlier telephone conversation, the officer said he told the co-pilot he had just taken a picture of something and the co-pilot's response was a disinterested "that's nice." The officer stated that the co-pilot didn't know but that he had photographed the left wing of the plane, or something of that sort. In the taped interview, the officer stated that he had asked the co-pilot if he had seen the object that the officer had just photographed, and the co-pilot had said he did not. According to this account, the co-pilot should have known that the pilot had photographed an unidentified object but neither reported the incident upon landing.

From Provo to the next check point, Battle Mountain, Idaho, the direction of flight was slightly north of west. The witness felt they were flying SW at the time of sighting, and may have still been in a turn after passing the Provo checkpoint. If the bright spot on the picture of the object is a specular reflection as it appears, and if the object was at the photographer's twelve o'clock position at 11:00 a.m., the position of the specular reflection would require the plane to have been in a heading between east and north.

The officer's wife supported his story that they had had the roll of film developed several months after the UFO pictures were taken. The officer stated that there were pictures already on the roll before the UFO shots were taken and after the UFO pictures were taken in July, and the roll was finished during September and October. These later pictures showed park and mountain scenes, as well as a snowstorm scene.

The witness was aware that frame numbers printed on the slides (14 and 11) did not agree with his story that they were taken consecutively on the roll (14 before 11). He indicated, however, that all pictures on the roll were numbered erroneously.

Removal of slides from their mountings revealed that the numbers on the mountings were consistent with frame numbers on the edge of the film itself. Each number on the film was one integer lower than the number on the mounting. This held true also for the UFO shots, frame numbers 11 and 14 yielding pictures with numbers ten and 13 shown on the film edge. These numbers show rather conclusively that the UFO pictures were taken after the snow-storm, rather than in July when the witness was still in the Air Force. They also were not taken on consecutive frames of the roll, and were taken in an order reversed to that claimed. The numbering examination was witnessed by five project staff members.

Conclusion:

In view of the discrepancies, detailed analysis of the photographs did not seem justifiable. They were returned to the officer with our comment that they obviously could not be used by us to support claims that the object photographed was other than an ordinary object of earthly origin thrown into the air.

Short discussion:

The Condon investigators seem to suggest some discrepancies between the pilot and co-pilot, supposing that the co-pilot should have been aware that the pilot photographed a UFO.

There is nothing in the account to clearly support this allegation, which is

just one of the many insinuations against witness that the Condon committee has been accustomed to produce. The pilot photographed the object while the co-pilot was not looking, and later the pilot asked him if he had seen "the object he just photographed" and the co-pilot said that he did not. There is no reason to state that the copilot should have known about the UFO picture. Moreover, the pilot did not report it for fear of ridicule, and even if the co-pilot had seen the object, it is likely that he would have said he did not for the same reason. The pilot only spoke about it after he left service, and only under the condition that his name is not published.

Condon investigators have indicated that "The cloud background was similar in the two pictures, showing the object to have moved about 100 to the right in picture two as compared with number one."

Although the unit of the move (100 meters? 100 feet? 100 yards) is not indicated, it is clear that the object has moved "to the right," rather horizontally more than vertically. This indicates that the object did not strictly "fall" or "raise up", unless the picture had been taken only at a slightly low altitude and had shown an object thrown in the air at an angle, at the moment when it stopped raising and started falling, at the peak of its supposed hyperbolic course.

The notion that the photographs would be showing a terrestrial object thrown in the air is obviously contradictory with their acknowledgement that the pictures show clouds seen from above. As stated in the Condon report: "Lighting of the clouds gave the appearance that one was indeed looking at the tops of sunlit clouds." One can only wonder how some sort of "saucer shaped frisbee" could have been thrown by someone from the ground up above the top of the sunlit clouds, where another person would have waited for it to arrive with a camera.

Condon investigators noted that the two pictures were not consecutive frames, the least that should have been said is what the two frames between the frames with the alleged UFO did show. The same skies without the UFO because it would have been out of the frames? Or completely unrelated pictures? Obviously a clear information about these two frames would have been sufficient to clear the case, or supportive of the case.

Condon investigators are questioning the order of the sequence, but at the same time consider the order as reliable to state that the pictures were not taken in July when the pilot was still in the Air Force. This is a discrepancy created by the investigators rather than the witness.

The notion that the photographs would be showing a terrestrial object thrown in the air and photographed is an allegation of a hoax. But clearly, there is not one single reason to imagine a hoax: the pilot did not report about the photographs. He did show them to some new colleagues months later when he had a new position at the FAA, and the knowledge of these photographs started from here. There are clear indications that the knowledge of the existence of these photograph is merely accidental and not the result of any voluntary action of the pilot to promote them. On the contrary, the investigators acknowledge that "The incident had never been reported to the Air Force because, the officer said he knew that people were ridiculed for reporting such things, and the pictures had not been shown to anyone outside the officer's family for a year after development."

New conclusion:

The commission has searched for discrepancies and made some unspoken allegations of "object thrown in the air", and decided that any detailed analysis of the pictures is "unjustifiable."

The Condon commission's conclusion is not a conclusion in itself, it is not acceptable in strictly scientific terms. Concluding a study by a decision not to perform a detailed analysis cannot be an acceptable conclusion to a study.

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Are there better (authentic) UFO photos out there than the one you're looking at? Undoubtedly. Unfortunately, it seems that those photos have yet to be released, declassified, or otherwise made available to the general public. Until that day occurs, this one is going to have to do. It has many fans and a few detractors, but the story is still compelling.

2021 is the 50th anniversary of this photo being taken. In those five decades, the legend of the Lake Cote photo has only grown.

In 1999, for example, a collection of French officials, pilots and officers (most retired) put it on the cover of its COMETA report (Advanced Studies Committee). This document has long been thought to be among the most open statements on the UFO subject ever made. Titled "UFOs and the Department of Defense," the report that was sent to the French government concluded that the ETH, Extra Terrestrial Hypothesis, was the most likely explanation for what's truly going on with these objects.

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Why I think Lue knows some of the innermost secrets about UAPs and isn't just
bluffing

Well first of all, it goes without saying that this isn't something I'm saying
with absolute certainty, it's just my opinion based on the evidence.

The Pentagon's attempt to discredit him really says it all.

They literally tried to erase him, pretend he didn't exist, claim that he had
absolutely nothing to do with running AATIP:

<https://www.politico.com/news/2021/05/26/ufo-whistleblower-ig-complaint-pentagon-491098>

They attempted to sully his reputation and make him sound "crazy."

Now why would they try to pull off such a farce?

Because they were desperate and they panicked.

The most rational explanation is that they were afraid of what he might say, specifically what he might disclose about UAPs.

And their fear was palpable.

The manner in which he resigned certainly marked him as a potential whistleblower:

<https://www.history.com/news/unidentified-ufo-investigation-documents>

And once Lue went public and garnered significant media attention, the threat of any potential disclosure became magnified.

So why would Lue know some of the deepest government secrets about UAPs?

Because he worked for AATIP for 7 years, so he wasn't simply a temporary stand-in, and as the trusted government employee heading America's investigation into UAPs, he would naturally become a reservoir for secret spillers in the military and government, much like Edgar Mitchell's reputation as an astronaut who believed in UFOs led others to share highly classified secrets with him over the years:

In 2008, he claimed that aliens had visited Earth and said he believed there was a government cover-up.

"I happen to have been privileged enough to be in on the fact that we've been visited on this planet and the UFO phenomena is real," he said in an interview with Kerrang Radio.

"It's been well covered up by all our governments for the last 60 years or so, but slowly it's leaked out and some of us have been privileged to have been briefed on some of it."

<https://www.bbc.com/news/world-us-canada-35506000>

Sometimes I get the feeling that others view Lue as somebody who doesn't possess any more information about UAPs other than what he learned on the job during his time heading AATIP.

If this is the case, then Lue is seen through the prism of merely being a bluffer when he talks about Roswell, crash retrievals in general and biological specimens that have been collected.

But based on the Mitchellian model, that simply isn't the case.

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Agreed. They tried all kinds of stuff to discredit him, like delete his emails that would have proven some of his claims, made the claim that AATIP had nothing to do with UFOs, claimed he didn't run AATIP, there was some retaliation and threats from his former boss, tried to revoke his security clearance, etc. Here are some quotes and links:

On December 22, 2017, five days after Elizondo and AATIP made headlines in the New York Times, an investigation into Elizondo and the release of the three DoD

videos depicting UAP incidents was launched by the Air Force Office of Special Investigation (AFOSI).

Speaking under the condition of anonymity, a senior defense official who had firsthand knowledge of the incident told The Debrief they knew for certain that the 2017-2018 AFOSI investigation was done at the behest of [Garry] Reid as a way of retaliating against Elizondo.

"[Garry] Reid had USDI Security put an entry in Elizondo's file on Scattered Castles, which is the clearance system used for IC interagency clearance passage, so that if he tried to go to any SCIF in the IC, Reid would get a call and be able to cause questions so that Interagency partners would come to believe there was a 'problem' and not let him in," the Defense official explained. <https://thedebrief.org/sex-lies-and-ufos-pentagons-head-of-counterintelligence-and-security-ousted/>

"Neither AATIP nor AAWSAP were UAP related," said Pentagon spokesperson Susan Gough in an e-mail to The Black Vault. <https://www.theblackvault.com/documentarchive/the-pentagon-corrects-record-on-secret-ufo-program/>

Pentagon Reinforces Luis Elizondo Had "No Responsibilities" on AATIP; Senator Harry Reid's 2009 Memo Changes Nothing <https://www.theblackvault.com/documentarchive/pentagon-reinforces-mr-luis-elizondo-had-no-responsibilities-on-aatip-senator-harry-reids-2009-memo-changes-nothing/> (did you really believe this?)

The evidence collected here overwhelmingly suggests the government was indeed studying UFOs and not, as the Pentagon has said, "investigating foreign advanced aerospace weapons system applications with future technology projections over the next 40 years, and to create a center of expertise on advanced aerospace technologies." <https://www.popularmechanics.com/military/research/a30916275/government-secret-ufo-program-investigation/>

Now, more than three and a half years after Elizondo told his extraordinary story about investigating unidentified aerial threats for the U.S. government, the saga has taken an unexpected turn. The DoD has now admitted exclusively to The Black Vault that they have destroyed some of the most crucial evidence that could either prove, or disprove, Elizondo's work history within a secret UFO study known as AATIP. <https://www.theblackvault.com/documentarchive/pentagon-destroyed-e-mails-of-former-intelligence-official-tied-to-ufo-investigation-claims/>

Some more quotes from The Debrief article:

According to documents related to a May 2021 IG complaint filed by Elizondo, which was reviewed by The Debrief, shortly after resigning on October 5, 2017, Elizondo received a call from his former boss Garry Reid.

A "clearly upset" Reid wanted to know what he should do with Elizondo's resignation letter and demanded he come to see him at the Pentagon. When Elizondo declined the invitation, Reid reportedly threatened him, saying he would "tell people you are crazy, and it might impact your security clearance."

By November, Elizondo said he received several phone calls from former colleagues at OUSD(I&S) warning him that Reid and "Employee 1" (from the IG complaint) were "coming after him."

This could be written off as an apparently emotional and volatile former boss blowing off steam. However, it would seem, Reid indeed did attempt to make good on his threats.

Finally, I obviously can't demonstrate this because it's difficult to provide

evidence by design, but I personally think they ran an online astroturfing campaign against him to discredit him in the eyes of the public as a "disinformation agent," a quack, etc. They have the tools to do it and have done similar things in the past. If you familiarize yourself with COINTELPRO, you'd realize how easy it would be to do stuff like this.

Elizondo is just another whistleblower in a very long line of other UFO whistleblowers going back 70 years. It's crazy, but this is reality.

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Agreed 1000%.

This is purely out of my own intuition, but I just don't buy that the only reason Reid went to enormous lengths to spite Lue was some watercooler vendetta. Importantly, the IG's report on Reid specifies that the reason for Reid's dismissal has not been made public - this is despite all we know about this man's character flaws. To me, this implies something going on at an even deeper level regarding Reid. What the hell was this guy up to?

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Reid's firing said it all IMO. His firing and the investigation into it should be FOIA. IG. I'd love to read his emails when Reid spoke about Lue or mentioned him.

You can't make this stuff up and I bet would make one hell of a movie.

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Little known fact, those UAP videos were released years ago. I first saw them on an unsavory gore website many years before the NYT headlines. The problem is if you don't know what you are looking at it isn't impressive at all.

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That's actually pretty interesting. Are you familiar with the Above Top Secret forum leak in 2007? They literally debunked the Flir1 video as a CGI hoax, which turned out to be totally incorrect after both the Navy and DoD confirmed the authenticity of all three videos.

I was aware of only one of those videos leaking in 2007, then the other two in 2017/2018 after Elizondo and Mellon leaked them.

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So why would Lue know some of the deepest government secrets about UAPs?

Because

There was that interview with Ross Coulthart, I can't remember who did it, very likely it was Generation Zed. However I'm not 100% sure.

Anyway, there was a segment of that interview, where RossCo attempted to explain why Elizondo is no ordinary government employee. Actually, his significance is extremely underestimated.

Long story short, according to bits of information he got familiar with, Elizondo was a gatekeeper and overseer of some of the special access programs focused on the UAP issue. In the other words, he didn't just get the chance to gather some intel, or to have a glimpse of the UFO topic. He had an access to much more of the UAP related facts, than he has ever admitted publicly.

Edit. I have just watched the most recent interview with Steven Greenstreet on The Unidentified Celebrity Review, and he kind of confirmed the same thing Coulthart said, while also adding some new bits and bats regarding Elizondo.

If you're going to watch it, it's somewhere around 1:30:00 mark.

PS. To me it is another confirmation of the claim I made quite early, after

Elizondo went 'live'.

Elizondo's public face is not entirely his real face. At this point I would rather say that there might be only a small percentage of Elizondo in Elizondo as a public person.

It's possible that we have seen only a tip of the iceberg.

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u/8ad8andit avatar
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4y ago
I feel that Elizondo has been pretty conspicuous in hinting that he knows much more about this topic than he is revealing publicly. Why isn't he revealing it? Because he doesn't want to get crucified for presenting classified information illegally to the public.

He's made it clear that it's up to everyone to exert appropriate political pressure to get this information disclosed, which appears to be what is happening.

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u/enmenluana avatar
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conspicuous in hinting that he knows much more about this topic than he is revealing publicly

I think there's also one specific aspect of the fact that you have just mentioned.

Elizondo leaves significant amount of clues, but he mainly answers only the questions he's asked. You won't catch him too often on getting carried away.

My question - do we really know what other questions we could ask him to make the best use of his knowledge?

I highly doubt that. Obviously, there are things he won't be able to talk about. Still, I have a feeling that the public reached its limitations when it comes to extracting information out of Elizondo.

The loop is closing. Hence the reason for Elizondo's decision to limit his public presence.

Unless someone can make a better use of the clues he's left behind.

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I have high hopes for his book. He keeps emphasizing that he is writing this book "for a very specific purpose that will become obvious once the book is out". I believe this purpose to be that he wants to write down everything he knows (and can disclose without infringing national security) and have it pass through the Pre-Publication Review process. This will do 3 things:

Force the DoD to deeply research internally if any of his information holds water and is in any way protected information. This means that rogue elements either have to officially come forward to block the release (which would be good, because it finally makes them traceable) OR the information will get out into the public (even better).

Give Lue officially green light to talk about A LOT more things. The Pre-Publication Review gives him black-on-white what he can and cannot talk about despite his NDA. No more grey areas, hints, breadcrumbs and fuzziness.

Plant a flag in the ground, fixing the current progress of disclosure. There will never be any going back from that point onwards.

All of this, of course, relies on Lue to provide truthful information, backed up by evidence. I expect there to be quite a bit of legal back and forth between Lue and the DoD, but luckily he has an excellent attorney, Danny Sheehan.

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Gingerfurrdjedi

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THANK YOU! This is EXACTLY what Lue is hoping to do!

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u/Viktorv22 avatar

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When should we expect the release of said book?

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Hambone1ouis

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July 7, 2022

Edit : I was wrong. Book has no publication date yet.

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Also, all the times in interviews he's brought up his interactions with what he called "the Greybeards", which he described as people within the DoD who have been there a long time and are the "keepers of the keys" of the legacy UFO programs.

Furthermore, for some reason no one seems to realize AATIP was just a small part of Lue's portfolio in his role in the OUSDI. His main job was the director of the National Programs Special Management Service (NPSMS), an office of which there are only two known public references: One in his resignation letter, and one in the court documents of the Khalid Sheikh Mohammed (the 9/11 mastermind). The court documents refer to the the NPSMS as the "SAP (Special Access Program) access people." This is all covered in this great article by TheBlackVault:

<https://www.theblackvault.com/documentarchive/pentagon-destroyed-e-mails-of-former-intelligence-official-tied-to-ufo-investigation-claims/amp/>

Lue knows more than most people realize. People have also forgotten he basically confirmed via his NDA side-stepping answers that MAJESTIC and ZODIAC were real, but he couldn't go into detail. His reaction when this question has been asked says it all:

RD: Let me ask you this: Have you ever cross come across evidence that supports the reality of an organization, whether we call it MJ12, or Zodiac? Are there any of these organizations that you've come across that you think could be...that you've heard of?

LE: Sure, absolutely.

RD: Okay, so. Zodiac, I want to ask about that because I've got reasons for asking. Is this something that you've come across?

LE: Yes.

RD: So, may I ask you what you can say about that?

LE: I cannot

RD: You cannot say anything about it?

LE: Unfortunately, I cannot comment on any aspects of, or any details or...you asked me if I heard of it. I cannot confirm nor deny any aspects of a program, if it did exist, with a name of zodiac,

RD: Gotcha. MJ-12?

LE: I'm gonna stick with the same headline. I cannot confirm nor deny.

<https://www.ufojoe.net/lue-dolan-transcript/>

And in another interview:

ETP: "MJ12: if that was such a thing, I don't understand if it would have been official or rogue?"

LE: "Or both."

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LYUHEC4RAkM&t=67m39s>

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It should also be mentioned that he doesn't take any concern for himself. He states he views it as his moral obligation to the common man. Being his family suffering from how he's being viewed as they know this truth but couldn't say anything. That to me along with what you state only constitutes that we're hearing the truth and facts about it.

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They whacked Gary Webb for exposing CIA drug running and people think someone could breathe a word (without authorization) about what's probably the biggest, darkest, deepest government secret ever without disappearing?

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Hicksp91

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Sure Lue has a book deal to gain by lying but so far he has not taken a dime for any of his speaking engagements on podcasts, etc.

He has a TON to lose if this is all a lie. He has already lost a senior level government pension. It seems unlikely that he is lying at this point.

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devilbones

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How many people were in AATIP?

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TotallyNotYourDaddy

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Reid was responsible for most of the smearing and attempts to discredit.

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radii314

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Risk vs benefit

He can be sued, he can face military prosecution ... so he's going to be careful about what legal limits bind his ability to be forthcoming with what information he knows

Now if he builds a public profile large enough that insulates him quite a lot from military prosecution - the pressure swings against the military for going after him when in the public's mind he's just trying to get facts out to the people - facts gathered by taxpayer money mind you

Getting sued is still a real problem because that's a contract he signed

If and until evidence comes out that he's leading a psy-op or misdirection people should give him the benefit of the doubt that he's doing what he says he's doing as best he can given the institutional desire to not expose or share this type of information

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Gambit6x

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Lue is the truth and a hero.

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u/ArtzyDude avatar

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"Because they were desperate and they panicked."

And Lou's boss let his large ego get the best of him. Now he's gone. Bye bye imbecile.

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Siadean

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The lue hate equates to full on zealotry at this point. The fact is he has followed through with every single thing he's said he's going to do. Things have progressed at the pace he's told us to expect it to. People who say he should spill all the info and lose his security clearance/break his NDA have the mindset of children who don't consider consequences. The 'give me the info now and who cares about the ramifications' attitude some people have is down right juvenile.

I read lue as a man who values honor and integrity. Due to that I'll happily take his word over some redditor who has no skin in the game and can't understand what the possible implications finding out the truth of the phenomenon might have on humanity at large. We can't even respect one another's human differences, how will we take finding out something like there being countless advanced civilizations out there that make us look like stupid children as a species. Shit, some people in these forums can't even fathom the idea that it's possible that advanced species would tend to be less warlike than us due to the fact that warlike civilizations always destroy themselves in our own history alone.

One thing to consider, if we had access to the power source these craft would need to operate as they do, it would fundamentally change the worlds energy needs. In turn it would change our entire world economy and the majority of reasons we go to war with one another.

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Lues clues ;)

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Lue is the GOAT.

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u/samizdat42069 avatar

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This is assuming AATIP was even privy to anything actually juicy like CIA and Air Force studies from the past 7 decades.

He's just as (probably more) likely to be using his old job to make more money.

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velezaraptor

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I'm sorry, but the government trying to erase someone is a simplistic play with a PSYOP to whoever will listen. There are well-paid people looking for solutions to discredit People of interest, so citizens and ex-military are a target for misinformation.

Why nobody will acknowledge the fact Lue was in bed with Gaia.com and promoted fake aliens in the desert with Dr. Greer on two occasions with no real resolution to the authenticity and or release of an evidence-based disclosure is more than sus.

Get a grip, he must be disinformation, mole, or counter-intelligence.

There's nothing legit about Lue.

If there is, post it as a reply to this message.

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NilNodesinNur

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4y ago
i think its actually a deep disinfo campaign and they are doing all this discrediting and such to make it seem believable.

Lue is a distraction. He keeps hyping that something big is coming , doing lots to get attention. It stinks of a manipulation campaign if you ask me.

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jetboyterp

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4y ago
The day that Elizondo puts up a single piece of irrefutable evidence to prove himself, his former employment as "head" of AATIP, or any of his crazy claims and allusions, I'll take him seriously. Until then, he's just a grifter out for fame and a fatter bank account. If the Lue-natics want to waste their time on that clown, they can have him.

EDIT: Fixed spelling.

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You are in a cult, he is a fraud at best. Nothing interesting came up for years. He is talking.

That's what is happening.

And people like you have joined his cult.

Wtf. Like, why? Nothing he has actually talked about or shown is interesting. He has been lying about the videos for years, but nothing interesting is ever happening.

Just stop. Leave the cult.

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AfterDriver5516

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I'd bet my house that you haven't sat through a single one of his podcast appearances.

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CaptianTumbleweed

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Completely agree. People really want to believe him but the reality is that he just obfuscates on literally everything. Its laughable from the outside, telling everyone you know the answers to a civilization changing question but oh my nda won't allow me to tell you either...but don't forget to buy my book. It's 100% a personality cult.

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What's going to happen if he spills the beans about ufo? Wtf is lue so afraid of if he no longer has any affiliation with the government Is he going to get executed if he breaches his NDA? He should just be a martyr and expose the government kamikaze style, instead of leaving delicious "breadcrumbs" leading to his highly anticipated book he's about to cash out on.

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EngineeringNo1675
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Maybe he's worried they'll JFK him.

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At this stage it's almost like his background doesn't matter. He hasn't been able to produce any independently verifiable evidence, so they're just like, his opinion, man. His background is murky enough that his credibility is suspect, and that together with the fact that they're just stories until he produces anything concrete, mean that he's really just out here pissing in the wind.

Everything he does is a promotion for the next thing he's doing. Wait until you read his book, which is going to be the first part of a cinematic universe where you'll have to watch both Netflix series to try and piece together what the clues are.

He's a media whore.

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u/gerkletoss avatar
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The Pentagon would try to discredit him if he was causing trouble, which he is, regardless of whether he was right.

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Bricktrucker

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Your comment only lends Lue credit regardless if he's a sham, or not.

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u/mowglai avatar

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I agree with your viewpoint overall tbh but him working for AATIP for 7 years seems like it could go the other way as well. People always talk about how presidents might not know because they are only "temporary stand ins" but they can be president for 8 years which would make lues position similar as he only worked with AATIP for 7 years. Otherwise I agree and think he is mostly honest.

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u/MKULTRA_Escapee avatar

MKULTRA_Escapee

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Elizondo has been in government for like 30 years (edit: between military intelligence and then the Pentagon), but that's not really the issue here. I think that Elizondo was tasked by outsiders in government who were kept in the dark who wanted to figure out what was going on with UFOs. They were able to access all kinds of information somehow, maybe with whatever connections they had, collected everything they could, analyzed it, etc. Various aspects of the government have gotten all kinds of new toys and sensors over the past few decades that could track this stuff. Maybe there was a lot of inside help from pissed off officials who wanted to know what was going on. Who knows. I would imagine the picture would get a lot clearer over time.

There was obviously a more secretive program above Lue's operation because he was getting stonewalled. AATIP were just "outsiders" in government who tried to study UFOs with a measly 22 million, who then went public and briefed various government officials who were kept in the dark, some of whom also went public. In fact, not only did Obama say that he was briefed on UFOs, I think they briefed Obama specifically with the information they gathered at AATIP, which is why Obama stated publicly that UFOs are real.

A few examples of declassified and public documents proving that a core government organization has been tracking UFOs from the 50s well into the 21st century. BlueBook and AATIP were just smaller auxiliary programs.

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Interesting, but he had every intention of staying. He only resigned in protest so, it would have been assumed that he would still be there.

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MasterofFalafels

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Doomsday clock is ticking, Lue. If you really have something to say, just say it. NDA's are manmade things, and if some intelligence is visiting us, withholding this from humanity is quite simply criminal and worse than facing the repercussions of being a whistleblower, which I'm sure will be pardoned in the end.

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u/hockeyguy625 avatar

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Come on, man, don't get your information from Politico.

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nexisfan

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I hope he has a dead man's switch. I'm sure he does and that's the reason he keeps trying to force disclosure the proper way. He's probably evasive to protect his damn life and his family's.

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chilipepper84

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Well tick tock Lue lfg already.

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Chemical-Return1098

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he did say in an interview he was one of the "men in black"

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WeAreNotAlone1947

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I wish he would ignore the constant attacks from Greenwald and Greenstreet, this is getting ugly. By now, everyone should now that the Air Force is behind this attempt to discredit Elizondo. If you watch back on the last 3 years it becomes clear that Greenwald acted as a mouth piece for them.

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What I'm getting at, is that there's probably nothing to reveal. Imagine he does have the proof, whatever that means. That's potentially the biggest news humanity has ever heard. That we are not alone, or that reality isn't what we think it is. You just sit on that? In the event there was a reveal, and he was prosecuted, imagine the public outcry. He'd be released before any trial. The red flag I'm referring to is there's nothing there.

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u/McGuineaRI avatar
McGuineaRI

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Even Bob Lazar has believers way high up in the food chain in the government. There are people that are high up but know it's obvious that there are plenty of things they aren't allowed to be privy to. It's probably the same with Lue. I'm not casting doubt or supporting either. I'm just saying that people in the government going after them, even just for answers for themselves, doesn't necessarily prove their assertions.

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u/somefriesmotherfuckr avatar
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"It occurred to me that the molecules of my body and the molecules of the spacecraft itself were manufactured long ago in the furnace of one of the ancient stars that burned in the heavens about me.

And yet, the very stars that were once my great-grandparents were now gone, taken away by the great currents of time.

I had no means of knowing when I was born.

I was not born in the distant past, nor was I born in the distant future. I was born in the present, at this very moment, in the cosmos, in the universe, at this place and time.

And then I thought of the words of one of my great-grandfathers.

"The universe is not a dead thing," he had said. "It is not even a thing. It is a spirit."

And I realized that it was my spirit that was alive, it was my spirit that had been living in the universe, it was my spirit that was moving through the universe, it was my spirit that was the universe.

I was the universe.

I was the universe.

I was the universe."

-Darius Kerpál

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~Luis Elizondo

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Luis Elizondo (LE): "We are only here and this far, in large part because of you. You're a Formula One race team and yeah, you've got a really fast car. But a team only wins because you've got a great race car driver, you've got a great pit crew, you've got great sponsorship, etc, etc, etc. We are here, we're winning because this is a team effort. And please forgive me because, as most of you know, I'm not a ufologist, I haven't had a long history in this other than my work at the Pentagon. But I think most of us can sense that the times are changing and they're changing in large part because for the last three years, and certainly, for decades, many of you have been engaged and fighting in the trenches on this topic. And I think this is a monumental time for us, for this topic. And again, I just wanted to say, from the bottom of my heart, thank you very much for being part of this, and helping us all have this discussion in a collegial and collective way. Before we begin, I just want to...when you guys get to your questions, I want to say for the record, there are no off-limit questions. If I can't answer something, it's because I frankly don't know the answer, or because I can't talk about it, due to security issues. But I'm pretty confident we're going to be able to, today, answer a lot of your questions. But again, I just wanted to say thank you, thank you, thank you for all that you've done. It's really my honor and sincere pleasure to be here with you today."

Richard Dolan (RD): I want to thank you for being here at this event. I mean, look, we're in such an insane, crazy time these days in the UFO field and you are right at the center of it all. It's really quite amazing. I know you did Tucker Carlson last night, you've been doing media events all week and doing more later this week. And to be honest, I feel lucky that we got you here for

this. So, I thought, my God, I've got the busiest man in the UFO field here for this event. So I just want to thank you, Lue, for being here with us.

LE: We are here today and having this discussion and the world is paying attention. Not because of me, but because of you all. Because of the work and the effort you all have put into this. When I say you all, I mean every single person in the crowd today that has been following this topic for not just the last three years, but perhaps for the last three decades. And this has been a team effort and we're only here today because of the work each and every one of you has put into this topic for so long. So my deepest and most humble appreciation and respect to you and our distinguished guests today and literally every single person in the crowd who has been carrying the torch on this topic.

RD: Well said and thank you, and it is a team effort, I absolutely agree. So I'm gonna jump into some questions and these are questions that I prepared and in the next segment after this, there will be questions that I have from members of the audience, and there's quite a few. And I've looked them over, they're very intelligent, good questions. And we might be able to get some spontaneous ones in as well. But I want to start with some of mine and look, I'm going to jump into something that's going to be a little bit controversial and you're just gonna have to deal with it best you can. And I understand your position. We're going to get into a lot of these issues. But yesterday, some word got around about your potential interaction with some very exotic technology. I know you've heard all about this and I know you've already been taking strong issue with this. So I would like for you to say as much as you want to say about it, and I'm going to make it easier for you. We can back into this by mentioning two things first. So, your statements, you've made a few now, to Tucker Carlson, for example, about your knowledge of U.S. government acquisition of, let's say, UFO artifacts, or UFO tech, maybe craft - a little nebulous about that - which, to my knowledge, you've now done twice on his program. And something, by the way that Dr. Eric Davis, privately confirmed after your first interview with Tucker, I think it was your first, maybe not, where you talked about: Have we acquired technology? You said, "Yes." James Iandoli, who's one of the speakers here, wrote to Eric Davis that night, and got a reply from Eric Davis, who said "Yes, absolutely. 1,000% correct."

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RD: And then also, the interesting story about Senator Harry Reid in the New Yorker just recently, in which Harry Reid was quoted as having been blocked from access to Lockheed's ET technology, reverse engineering program. And, you know, Harry Reid, the next day, had to walk that back in a tweet, which I don't think a single person in the world believed him.

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Breaking away from Dolan/Elizondo Interview for related, background information.

Here's exactly what Senator Reid said to The New Yorker...

"I was told for decades that Lockheed had some of these retrieved materials," [Reid] said. "And I tried to get, as I recall, a classified approval by the Pentagon to have me go look at the stuff. They would not approve that. I don't know what all the numbers were, what kind of classification it was, but they would not give that to me." He told me that the Pentagon had not provided a reason. I asked if that was why he'd requested sap status for aatip. He said, "Yeah, that's why I wanted them to take a look at it. But they wouldn't give me the clearance." (A representative of Lockheed Martin declined to comment for this article.)

In the accompanying podcast The New Yorker put online, journalist Gideon Lewis-Kraus (GLK) asked Reid about the subject of crash retrievals.

GLK: "One question that I have, has to do with this issue of potential, retrieved crash debris that was reported on last summer. It certainly seems like many of the figures you've described, like Lue Elizondo, he went on Tucker Carlson and Carlson said, 'Do you believe that there's compelling evidence that we have retrieved crash debris?' And Elizondo said 'Yes.'"

Senator Harry Reid: Well, I don't know what he knows but he must know something I don't know because I cannot confirm all that.

GLK: "Yeah, it doesn't seem like anybody really knows of any but certainly, my guess is that you and I have both heard the same stories. There are these stories that circulate that some people, at least, find pretty credible and compelling."

Senator Harry Reid: "Well, and that's...I have no problem with that. I personally can't confirm that and I think [if] people can come up with a little more clearer foundation on that, I'll like it even more. But right now, I haven't seen that."

GLK: Did [the Pentagon] give you a reason for [not approving your request to go to Lockheed and see the materials]?

SHR: No, they didn't have to. It was a yes or a no, and it was a no.

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Reid's "walked back" comments about The New Yorker story and Lockheed were published in the Las Vegas Sun on May 9th.

For years, Reid had heard rumors of Lockheed Martin possessing remnants of a crashed UFO. He sought clearance to access these remnants but was denied. A slew of national publications recently reported that Reid believes that the defense contractor possessed remnants. He corrects the record by saying, "I've never believed Lockheed had anything in that regard, even though a lot of people believe that - I don't."

As to whether any UFO fragments are stored away in some other government or contractor's warehouse, Reid is doubtful: "I never heard of anything, other than some conspiratorialists. So I don't think that they're credible that they're things from outer space."

Reid also spoke to Max Moszkowicz (MM) on May 25th and he seemed to warm up again to the Lockheed issue.

MM: "There are some accounts of Lockheed Martin being in possession of extraterrestrial debris. I now you have in fact tried to get into that information and you were for some reason denied. Could you elaborate on that a little bit? Do you know for a fact they have extraterrestrial debris?"

Senator Harry Reid: "I thought that if they had something there, I'd want to see it. And so I went through the hoops necessary to get clearance, and they wouldn't give it to me. Now, I'm not too sure that that would be the same answer today, maybe it would be. But I think we've made a lot of headway since that time of making sure that there's transparency in everything we do in government."

MM: "Do you think there is a correlation between what Lockheed Martin might or might not have and our advances in technology?"

Senator Harry Reid: "I think that there's no question that we're advancing in technology in many different parts of the scientific world. And I repeat what I

said before, I think this is something the government must be transparent with and I'm not sure they have been."

MM: "Do you have idea why the Pentagon denied you access to Lockheed Martin UFO thing? Have you ever heard an answer to that?"

Senator Harry Reid: "I think that they were afraid because no matter what answer I got, it would be like...are you still beating your wife? No matter what the answer was, it wouldn't reelect well on the Pentagon."

MM: Do you think there is Roswell debris in the hands of the United States government or from another incident before or after?

Senator Harry Reid: "As we talked in our conversation this morning, I tried to find out and was turned down. At the time, I wasn't the leader of the Senate, I was just an individual Senator. And I think that withholding whatever information Lockheed has is not good for the country, if in fact they have any."

My thoughts on Senator Reid and Lockheed...

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And for those who missed it, here's the comment from Dr. Steven Greer that caused a lot of controversy.

"Daniel Sheehan has also shared, and this is even more explosive, that Luis Elizondo has informed him that he in fact has been in a facility, where an actual extraterrestrial vehicle was stored. Now, why is that important? Because he's all over the news...saying we don't know what these are." ~Dr. Steven Greer

Sheehan addressed Greer's comments on Fade To Black with Jimmy Church after he was asked if those statements had been made by Lue to him.

Sheehan: "Well, what it is, is there were, uh...there is some information, some discussions that Lue and I had because I have been, and Lue will acknowledge this to you, that I have been pressing to find out how much it is that Lue intends to make public about what it is he knows and how far is he going to go to get the defense department to tell the truth. And in the context of those discussions with him, which are attorney/client, I've been trying to find out from him what the different issues are that are going to come up about...and there's all kinds of information that people have about we have...Lue says often and so does Chris Mellon, that they're convinced that we don't have anything like this, like these craft that are being seen. You know, that travel at the speed of light and can come from 80,000 feet to 50 feet above the surface of the ocean, then slow hover, go into the ocean [and then] travel at 100 knots under the ocean. We don't have any technology like that. And so, without broaching any attorney/client conversations I've had with Lue, I've pressed Lue on trying to find out whether or not he has been briefed in on any of the technology that we have. And one might assume, without my going into our particular conversations, one might assume that I would ask him whether he's been briefed in on the efforts of the various cooperations, such as Lockheed Martin and Rockwell International and others, to back engineer and of the downed saucer information. That, of course, immediately raises the question of...has been Lue been (that's not a typo) briefed in on whether there are any downed saucers and any material... I need to know what the potential areas are that he has been briefed in on and what levels of security ostensibly pertain to any of the information that he's been given... And so, as you might guess, Lue and I have had that conversation. And so I did have that conversation with him about that question and some

confusion arose as to whether...not between him and me, but among others, about whether he had seen any of these materials, whether there was some place where these materials were taken to..."

Church repeatedly asked Sheehan if he felt Dr. Greer had gotten ahead of himself by saying what he did (that Sheehan told Greer that Elizondo told him (Sheehan) he had seen an ET craft in a government facility) without first talking to Elizondo to confirm it, but Sheehan didn't give a specific answer to that question. Listen to the entire exchange and then keep reading below to see what what Elizondo said to Dolan and judge for yourself what Lue has or has not seen with his own eyes.

As a reminder, on February 23rd, Elizondo was on Spaced Out Radio.

Dave Scott: "Has Lue Elizondo, the person, ever seen a gray being? Big, black eyes, skin color, silverish tone, maybe brown at times, four-feet tall to five-feet tall, almond-shaped eyes, a slit mouth, barely any nose, three fingers. Ever seen one?"

Luis Elizondo: "Lue Elizondo as a person has seen some pretty extraordinary things in his life. I don't wanna prejudice the jury here. I've seen a lot of things in my life that have been very, very compelling. But in every one of those situations and in every case, I needed more data. You're asking a great question and people are gonna say I'm being evasive and yeah, you're damn right I am. I am being evasive on purpose."

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Back to Dolan and Elizondo...

Richard Dolan (RD): So, I'm mentioning those by way of letting you ease into this topic about the claim that you interacted or you were in the presence of exotic technology. I'm gonna leave it at that, because I've come to understand your position on this and you don't agree with it. Will you please just talk about this, to the extent that you can.

Luis Elizondo (LE): Yeah, sure, Richard. I know there's been a lot of ambiguity out there. First and foremost: No, I haven't been to a facility, I don't know where this came from. I know there's all sorts of speculation to the innuendos. The bottom line: No, I did not tell Mr. Sheehan that I saw an intact craft. I have no idea where that came from. I couldn't...you'd have to talk to Mr. Sheehan, if, in fact, he even said that, I don't know. Secondly, I will tell you that the times that I've been asked officially about the U.S. government and the potential for it having in his possession recovered material? Yes, I've stated for the record, I do believe so. I have to be very careful going into specifics but that is certainly my understanding.

That's the gold standard, right? When you have material in your hands, physical evidence that you can analyze, there's not a whole lot better than that to base and formulate an opinion off of. And so, from my perspective, that has always been the Holy Grail. And from my experience and my understanding of the situation, and my review of the documentation and the records, without going into detail, I am very confident that the United States government is in possession of some very exotic material. And look, I think one only has to look at the relationship of certain government elements as they have entered into agreements with folks like (sounds like whatever he said there (folks like Lockheed?) was dropped or edited out) and others, where I think there's there's an understanding that, yeah, we as a government, we as a nation, need to explore and research and analyze and understand exotic material. Now, it may turn out that some of this exotic material is coming from a new prototype, let's say Russian satellite, right? But it also may turn out to be something quite different. And that for me is where the juxtaposition comes into play, because we know what even exotic - by our definition - material looks like. And there are certain key aspects that allow us to determine whether something is

terrestrial or non-terrestrial. Meaning, it originated here on this planet, or originated elsewhere. And there are certain isotopic ratios and variances that are common on this planet and in fact, common within our solar system. And that is how we know when something is coming from somewhere outside of our planet and possibly even the solar system because there are natural signatures, natural fingerprints that occur on material that is found here. Both naturally and even engineered. There's telltale signs that we can see. Again, we have to be very, very careful beyond that.

What Does Elizondo Know?

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RD: I want to ask you, because you just opened up a really interesting door. I've got a bunch of questions here I want to get to but you mentioned isotopic ratios. So are you suggesting, are you implying or are you stating, are you aware of artifacts that may be in the possession of military and government, private corporations, that are of isotopic ratios that are manufactured, but that are not from here?

LE: I am aware of exotic material that, so far, cannot be explained as being from here. Ultimately, I have to be very careful, I will not say emphatically that it's not or that it is, because we need more analysis. And this is why initially, we entered into an agreement with a government element involving a CRADA agreement because there was enough there where it wasn't just us, but there were other people that were pretty convinced that this material demands further research. And this research isn't cheap, it's expensive. You're paying for a lot of man hours and a lot of equipment and expertise to look at something and you don't conduct that type of analysis on tinfoil. That's just not the way we do business.

And to get to that point, when you're looking at something, let's take this pen, for example. I know I use pen's a lot in my analogies but they tend to be kind of convenient, I guess. So let's take this pen, for example. Before you were to ever spend the kind of money going into any type of atomic analysis and research onto this pen, there are some things that you're going to do. You're first going to study - which is much less expensive - its physical properties and characteristics. You might look at its tensile strength, you might look at its physical properties, electrical conductivity, etc, right? Its melting points and whatnot. If you find enough uniqueness there, you might spend the extra money to begin to look at its chemical or molecular signatures, looking at the way it's structured from a crystalline perspective and the way the molecules are organized and the way the chemical compounds relate to one another. And you can do further testing to determine whether or not this is something that we're used to seeing.

If you find enough uniqueness there, then you go into the really expensive part of analysis, which is the atomic or nano-level analysis, where now you're looking at the relationships of the atoms themselves. And looking at the electron valences to determine the isotopic structure and relationship. Now, why is that so important? Because in order for us now, even with today's modern-day technology, what we called nano-engineering isn't easy, it's very, very expensive and there's always some degree of imprecision. So, if you want to have an isotopic ratio of let's say, 33%, 33%, 33%, you have to be very precise, on how you manufacture that and that level of precision costs a tremendous amount of money and resources and know how to do. And still yet, there are variances

within that atomic structure. To get it perfect is, I'm not gonna say it's impossible, but it's almost impossible. And certainly, when you look at the temporal aspect of this, and when some of this material was collected, it becomes even more improbable that this material was naturally occurring on here. We know it was manipulated. The question is, how was it manipulated...

RD: I want you to clarify it and then I want to ask you something different, which is, I think, very important. I have a bunch of things I wanna ask. But it sounds like you are stating that you are aware of studies that at least currently, seem to indicate that there are technologically sophisticated materials with isotopic ratios that we don't know how to explain. Is that is that fair?

LE: It is fair and furthermore, I'll tell you that I personally briefed senior elements within the DoD construct on that material so it's not just what I believe. That was actually briefed.

RD: Now, these materials, are these large, are these small, are we talking about part of a craft or we talking about something different that's not recognizable? Or is it recognizable?

LE: Umm, well..great question, Richard. Let me take a pass on that one, only because I, I...

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Large Pieces and My Sources Say #1

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RD: That's fine. That will lead to my next question because I think this will be helpful. The fact is, you've got security clearances, all the people around you, all the people that I've been trying to like, get to talk about the Davis/Wilson document, they've all got security clearances. It's a real pain in the neck to try to get people to deal with that, because that is the reality. So can you talk about how the fact of you having security clearances affects the things that you can say to the public and how you say them? And the things that you know about that you can't talk about, publicly? Because it is clear to me, that at least a number of your detractors... And I am not here just to like, blanket defend you, right? Because you've said things that I thought, okay, I don't really...I've taken issue with some of the things you've said publicly about, "Well, we don't know what these things are." But I understand, I understand why. But I think some of your detractors don't really have an idea of this situation that...you've got clearances. How does the fact that you've got certain clearances affect what you say and cannot say in public? Seems like an obvious question but please address it.

LE: It affects everything I say in public. Not some things. Everything. I have to thread a needle every single moment I open my mouth. I have to calculate what I'm saying, based upon an established, what we call an SCG - Security Classification Guide. Anything that is classified in the government falls underneath a security classification guide, and what we call an original classification authority. And I don't think people really understand or appreciate what that means. That is the difference between going to jail and being in exile, like Edward Snowden, and not, and having this conversation. I have to be very cognizant of every word I say because if I crossed that line,



where I now violate my nondisclosure agreement, this conversation comes to an immediate and abrupt end. You will never see me again, because I will either wind up in jail, or I will be sued to the point where I'll have to wind up living probably in Antarctica with all the penguins.

It is very difficult for me because I feel like I'm in a boxing ring with one arm tied behind my back while my legs are shackled, and [I'm] blindfolded. It is very tough. But, this is why I said in the beginning, Richard, this is a process not...disclosure isn't an event. And I think if you look at the last three years, I know people are impatient but we've come a really long way. We now have former presidents of the United States coming out and Directors of National Intelligence, not just one, but two, and directors of CIA, and the media. Everybody now, to include foreign countries, is finally nodding their head saying, "Yeah. You know what? This is a serious topic. There's enough information that we have been privy to, to recognize we need to do something about. Had I just come out day one and blurted everything out, I probably would have been been been labeled some sort of crazy, conspiracy theorist.

RD: Yeah, like me. That's my domain.

LE: People say, "That guy doesn't know what he's talking about." Every day, despite the overwhelming evidence, people still think I'm some sort of, I don't know what you call it, disinformation agent. Whatever, get out of here. I don't know how else to prove it to you. If you cannot see around you, the momentum that this topic and the seriousness and the respect that this topic has now been given by the mainstream media and our politicians and our elected officials, then you've been living under a rock for the last three years. And this isn't because someone's selling snake oil to you or someone's coming out and saying, "It's my way or the highway." If you've noticed, I've never said this is my way. I just said, "Look, here's the information, here's the facts, you do with it what you want." And I think, because I haven't violated my nondisclosure agreement, it makes it very difficult for the authorities to shut me up. They can make my life difficult but they haven't been able to shut me up. And that should be very telling that the method in which people like Chris Mellon and myself, Hal, Eric and others, have decided to have this conversation, is probably the right way to do it, because none of us want to violate our nondisclosure agreements.

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Unprecedented! Plus, My Sources Say #2

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RD: So to recap, I'm gonna give you my interpretation of your position, you tell me if I'm right or wrong here. So, when you've said things to the media, like, "These objects could be anything." I mean, sometimes you've said this. "What if they're Russian? What if they're Chinese?" I would hear this and think, "There's no way in hell this man actually believes this, but he says this because he's in a box. You've got political people to talk to, you got the media, a dumbed down media that doesn't understand anything and this is an attempt to open up a conversation, as well as..." I want to get into this idea of a potential threat in a moment. But these things that you say, sometimes, that will strike me as...I know that there's much more here. Is it fair to say that you are in this box because of security classifications and your public position, dealing with the media establishment, just trying to get a conversation? Is that fair for me to think that?

LE: Yeah! I mean, look, let's look right now at this wonderful group of people that we're speaking with right now, in this forum. I guarantee you not a single person in this room agrees 100% with you or me on everything and they're probably not gonna agree with each other on everything. That's okay. But you've got a big enough roof that everybody can fit in and have the conversation. And that's what we're doing. You have to leave enough room in the conversation for other people's opinions so they can get under the tent with you, right? Otherwise, it's just you under an umbrella, and you're not going to accomplish very much. In order for this to really work, it has to be a conversation that more than one or two people have. And to do that, you have to allow all the positions to be listened to. Everybody has to have their day in court, if that makes sense. Every voice, every opinion, whether we agree or disagree, should have their day in court, and allow us to have a, I think, a more collective conversation. Because at the end of the day, that's what this really is about. If you are relying on the government to tell you what this is, you are flat wrong. Here's the bottom line: The government doesn't have all the answers. It didn't have it with COVID, they didn't have it with the war in Iraq, and they damn sure don't have it with this topic. So, if you're waiting there like a little duckling to be fed, you're gonna be waiting a long time. The only way this is working is because we're not waiting for the government. We're pushing the government but we're also doing this on our own and this is why I think this conversation is so important.

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Luis Elizondo: And yes, you have to leave room under the tent for those folks who can't process the idea that maybe this is from somewhere else and maybe it is foreign adversarial or maybe it is a drone. Because ultimately, during that conversation, they're gonna come to a conclusion of their own. And that conclusion, is more than likely not gonna be drones or foreign adversarial. But you can't really tell people conclusively, you have to think like me. That's been the problem of ufology for all this time. Everybody's narrative is the only narrative and that's why nobody paid attention.

RD: I'm gonna come back to the idea of foreign adversaries and drones and so forth. But I want to jump into something else that's actually even more front row center. There's a lot of folks, I don't know what percentage, but you definitely get criticism for raising the idea of a potential, alien threat. You've said this a number of times. Now, there are people who hate this, because some of them say the aliens that are visiting here are good and peaceful. There are definitely voices in the UFO field that say this. And that, therefore, it's the military that's ramping up fear and that you are essentially a part of a psyop, whether it's for the CIA, or some intelligence, to ramp up fear of aliens, [a] fear-mongering campaign. And even people that don't have an opinion on aliens, they'll have enough of a distrust of the military industrial complex, and the generation of fear, as a psyop. So I want to ask you, I mean, my theory on why you did this, I'm just gonna put this out there. My theory has always been, as far as why you do this, not that you're necessarily trying to ramp up fear, but maybe trying to get the attention of a completely intransigent Congress and media that just won't listen to anything else. It's kind of like why I wrote my two volumes of National Security State, where I talked about a lot of military confrontations. I didn't think I was fear-mongering, either. But this is what I want to ask you: To what extent do you actually believe that these objects are a threat? And also, what is the deal with the higher ups that

you have dealt with in the military? Do they genuinely think that the Tic Tac or any of these other objects are an actual, military threat? How do they respond to it and what do you actually think, in terms of a threat?

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I'll just take a minute to add in what Senator Harry Reid said today to Max Moszkowicz about UFOs being a threat.

"All the information I have, which is quite a bit, I think there has been no indication, whatsoever, that they're harmful. It's kind of scary, the be honest with you, but we've had no indication of there being reason to be afraid of them."

~Former Senator Harry Reid

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Luis Elizondo (LE): Wow, so good questions, Richard. Two different answers, okay? What I think and what the national security apparatus thinks are two different things, okay? Let me start with the national security apparatus. They look at things in terms of threat versus non-threat. Okay? And if they don't know something is a threat, then they're going to presume it is until they can prove it's not. And that's just due diligence. That's the way we look at everything from earthquakes, hurricanes, climate change. I mean, this is not new. I don't know why people say, "Well, why are they looking at it that way?" Well, because that's the job of the government! That's obvious! I mean, look at climate change, for God's sake! People say, "Well UFOs aren't a threat but climate change is." Well...what?! What are you talking about?! We don't have enough data to make that assertion. Now, what I believe might be different, okay, but let's stay on this thread for a second. People who say definitively they're not a threat, are just as guilty as those who say, they are a threat, definitively. It's the same people, same crowd. You cannot tell me that those that are fear-mongering are any better or any less wrong than those people saying, "Oh, they're here to give flowers and to give peace on Earth because I know." How do you know? You want me to just take your word for it? You're not taking my word for it. What makes you any more qualified to know what the intention of something is? And if you go back to the background and say, "Well, it's not a threat because they would have already destroyed this by now," I would turn around and say, "Well, Russia's had nuclear weapons, and they would have destroyed us by now, too. Are they not a threat?" I don't know! So I want to be careful with that line of logic, because, you know, that same crowd that says, "Oh, they're not a threat, they're not a threat." My response is, you're doing exactly the same thing as the other side is doing by saying they're a threat. You're just as damn guilty. You're just not looking in the mirror. So, take a good, long, hard look in the mirror and ask yourself the hard question: How do you know any better than anybody else? The answer is, "Ya don't." So that's the first thing.

The second thing is, what do I think? Well, I think...I'm a father of two and I think with any potential challenge, there's always opportunities. And I don't know why people...I have said this over and over again. I've said it in the TV shows, I've said it in my interviews, I've said it in my podcast, I've said it ad nauseum. Let me be perfectly clear: With every challenge comes opportunity. Okay? The same technology that we are seeing being displayed before us, could be used to propel mankind 1000s if not millions of years worth of technological evolution in a single generation. From energy to health care to you name it. Okay? So, that's Luis Elizondo. But I'm also cautious, because I still don't know if it's a threat or not. Now people say, "Well, Lue really knows deep down inside." You know what? Ya don't. I've been very fair and honest on the way I think and anybody who says this is some sort of false flag to get a...I don't know what the hell their reasoning is..maybe to get a government contract to build spaceships, who the hell knows.

RD: Yeah. I mean. there's all kinds of reasons put out there. That's true.

LE: The bottom line...they have no idea what they're talking about, because they're not me, okay? And they've never asked me, they've never spoken to me and so how they feel qualified to know what I know is absolute garbage. And by the way, if you subscribe to that, then, you know, I can't help you. Go ahead, I mean, waste your money if you want to waste your money and, you know, watch some dude drop flares out of an airplane. I don't know what to tell ya. I will say this and I don't mean any disrespect to anybody here in this audience, okay? But this topic has been fraught with fringe and conspiracy theories for a long time. This is why I said, one of my hopes is to destroy ufology as we know it, and what hopefully coalesces afterwards, is a pure, scientific humanitarian effort to really seek the truth, right? And stop telling people a false narrative but seek the real truth behind what this is. But this topic has had a lot of fringe associated [with it] for a very long time. And honestly, there are people out there, what I call the hucksters and the charlatans who, in reality, are actually kind of serving a good purpose. And I know this sounds kind of weird for some people, but we actually need them. And the reason why we need them is because a lot of the fringe people will tend to gravitate to those individuals and folks like me don't have to worry about them, I can remain focused on real disclosure.

So, a lot of the distraction out there of people saying, "I know what they want, I know what they think and I communicate" and all of that? Fine! If that's the way you feel and you want to do that, go over on that side of the room and go talk to those people. That's fine. I'm good with it. Because my focus is right here and right now. And if you open your eyes, you'll see we are only here right now because we're having a fair, rational conversation about this topic. And I'm not prescribing my narrative on what this means and I think that's important because I will automatically pollute the waters if Luis Elizondo conveys what he thinks or feels or believes about a topic that I'm not qualified, yet. I have no idea! I don't know what this means to humanity! And by me saying that I do, would be completely disingenuous. In fact, for anybody to come out there and tell you that is absolutely ridiculous. And the problem is, there's a lot of vulnerable people out there that will glom on to that narrative, because maybe they feel a little insecure, maybe they're a little scared, maybe this is a topic that makes them uncomfortable. I don't know why. But there's a lot of people out there being taken advantage of.

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Richard Dolan (RD): Let me jump in. By the way, the idea of a potential threat, I'm actually, I think I have the exact same perspective that you have. So, I'm not even disagreeing with you. I happen to be a conspiracy theorist, or let us say, conspiracy analyst. I think that there are conspiracies and by the way, I push back against the notion when people try to dismiss conspiracy theories, but that's just me.

LE: Richard, there are conspiracies. You're absolutely right. But you said to yourself, you're a conspiracy analyst. Okay? Not a conspiracy theorist. And there's a big difference because an analyst is using real data to determine what a possible conclusion is. A conspiracy theorist is just pulling ideas out of thin air, and presenting them as facts. And therein lies the difference. I don't see you as a conspiracy theorist. I think you're absolutely right, I see you as

a conspiracy analyst, which is why I'm having this conversation with you today.

RD: By the way, the phrase conspiracy theory, as far as I've been able to determine, was originated in a CIA memo from 1967. That's a whole other story. That was in response to dealing with the dissenters about the Kennedy assassination thesis and the CIA wanted to disable that and smear these people as conspiracy theorists. Earliest example that I could find. Anyway, moving on.

I want to get into this whole thing about threat because the aerial encounters between the U.S...there's a long history of US military pilots and UFOs. One thing that never comes up in the current conversation, not by anyone, it seems. It's like UFOs all started with David Fravor, and the Tic Tac UFO in 2004. And I'm like, okay, first of all, there's UFO encounters that go back through the 50s and 40s of exact, identical objects as the Tic Tac, in terms of performance, well recorded by U.S. military. But what I want to ask you is...we've got reports of pilots, sometimes even being lost (Lue shakes his head up and down as RD says this) during some of these encounters. We're talking in the 40s and 50s. So my question is, when you were in AATIP, how extensive was this knowledge, within AATIP, of all of these, let's say pre-Nimitz, pre-Tic Tac events? And if there was knowledge, what can you tell us about... Like, contemporary pilots? Did they have any knowledge of this history? Did your office have any knowledge of this history? Was there any understanding of the long history of these encounters? You know, because it didn't start with David Fravor and the Tic Tac.

LE: Right, right, no, you're absolutely right. And there's two different questions you're asking me. Were we aware of it? And was the general audience or populace that we were dealing with in the military construct aware of it? Two different questions? Yes, we were aware of it but it wasn't very helpful to us. And the pilots that we were talking to and everybody else, and our leadership was definitely not aware of it. These were people who never had any understanding of previous UFO/UAP encounters. In fact, they had a hard time digesting the current UAP encounters that we were briefing them on. So, this was not, "Hey, well, this is common knowledge." Yes, it's common knowledge to you and your audience because you spent time researching this, but let's not forget, 99% of the individuals out there, they're just now getting acclimated to this topic. And so, it's the same thing with our military leadership when I was in the government. Very few individuals in the military ever even considered this topic to be serious, let alone were aware of historical events. So AATIP, by definition, was really...at least towards the latter part of its existence, we were focusing on the here and now. Okay, yes, anecdotal stories are great but we don't have any real fidelity of data other than reporting that's...by this point. it's considered a cold case. We were focused...

RD: If that is the case, so we can assume there's a long history of UFO military encounters. It seems to me reasonable to assume that there would be some body that would be tracking this over the years but it sounds like you might be implying that you didn't see...

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A few quotes...

"The following is conjecture. Sources tell me that this is merely the tip of the iceberg. A group of four related, but separate, unacknowledged SCI programs

tracing back to a 1947 Truman memorandum still exist and were housed, as of the 1990s, in major aerospace companies such as, for example: Lockheed, TRW, Raytheon, Aerospace Corp. etc. These would be expensive programs since the cost of secrecy can be several times higher than the research. The [AATIP] program has no relation to these four, much better funded, deep black ones. Indeed, the black programs collectively have budgets in the \$10B range and up. Topics apparently include both reverse engineering and extraterrestrial biology. The AATIP did find the UFO crash retrieval program, via official channels, but was denied access to it because the AATIP itself is not a SAP. Senator Harry Reid petitioned the DoD to confer SAP status to the AATIP but the DoD denied his request."

~Astrophysicist Bernard Haisch, PhD, 2018

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"So when you've heard people talking about this - we've reported it a couple of times - that AATIP is one of several programs and I think that there are several underway right now. As many as four is what I've heard. I don't know the names of the other ones."

~George Knapp at 2019 UFO MegaCon

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Max Moszkowicz: "Could it be that there have been programs running parallel without them knowing about each other's investigations and not communicating with each other?"

Senator Harry Reid: "The answer is 'yes' and that's one of the problems we have. We need correlation. We need to know what someone else is doing so we don't duplicate it because there's certainly enough questions that need to be answered. We don't need people doing the same thing."

~Senator Harry Reid to Max Moszkowicz on May 25th, 2021

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Back to Dolan and Elizondo...

RD: Did you become aware, did you or any of your colleagues in AATIP or connected, become aware of any other groups that would be monitoring the UFO situation that you just did not have access to? Competing groups and that type of thing.

LE: We did not, no. There were no peer groups that were looking at this topic. This was my frustration, because everywhere we looked, it was mum's the word. People were saying, "Well, nothing to see here. We have no idea what you're talking about." And we kept scratching our heads thinking there's got to be somewhere else, even a legacy office that is or was looking at this. We knew anecdotally, there were other offices, at some point, looking into this. But it was complete echo when you would scream down the cave, "Hey, is anybody else here," there was nothing. And that was part of my frustration because we quickly realized that we were kind of the central belly button for all this reporting and it started coming in only to us. And we certainly didn't have the manning to do, at least from my perspective and my opinion, to be able to do a complete job

and thorough job, because we just simply didn't have the manning and the resources and the funding to do it. You need a lot more. And this is part of my frustration now that we need more money and more funding,

RD: Does it make sense to you that there would be no other organizations? I mean, when you look at the situation and how it is, and the long history of the encounters, does it make sense to you that there's no other? I mean, you guys, you know, I don't know how much funding you got. I mean, it was originally reported as \$22 million, which is nothing and maybe it was more than that. But does it make sense to you that there would be no other, UFO investigative bodies or UAP investigative bodies that would have existed?

LE: Let me ask you the same question. I mean, house fires occur all the time, and you find out half the time a house fire occurs it's because someone didn't put batteries in a fire alarm, okay? And my question to you is, does it make sense that if you know your fire alarm isn't working, that you don't put batteries in it? Well, but people don't. I mean, as crazy as that may seem, there's probably some people in the audience right now that may have had a smoke alarm without batteries for quite some time. And yet, it's a reality. And no, am I surprised that there wasn't another organization or office in the government? Not really. I mean, surprisingly enough, I've seen a lot of dysfunction in the government. I don't think it's deliberate. It's just, you know, it's...no government is perfect.

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Other UFO Programs?

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RD: Let me ask you this: Have you ever cross come across evidence that supports the reality of an organization, whether we call it MJ12, or Zodiac? Are there any of these organizations that you've come across that you think could be...that you've heard of?

LE: Sure, absolutely.

RD: Okay, so. Zodiac, I want to ask about that because I've got reasons for asking. Is this something that you've come across?

LE: Yes.

RD: So, may I ask you what you can say about that?

LE: I cannot

RD: You cannot say anything about it?

LE: Unfortunately, I cannot comment on any aspects of, or any details or...you asked me if I heard of it. I cannot confirm nor deny any aspects of a program, if it did exist, with a name of zodiac,

RD: Gotcha. MJ-12?

LE: I'm gonna stick with the same headline. I cannot confirm nor deny.

RD: I'm not trying to throw you under the bus here but look, I just figured I had to ask. Zodiac is the name of an organization that has popped up from time

to time, it's not nearly as well known as MJ-12. However, it is one that some of the researchers, myself and a few others, have looked into. And I have personally become convinced that it's the real thing. It's very, very little known. So I'm glad...thank you at least for answering to the best of your capability on that. I'll just leave it at that.

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MJ-12 and Zodiac

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(Note: When I mentioned what Will Miller found out about MJ-12 from an Admiral Wilson staffer (aide), I meant to say Wilson/Davis blog and not Wilson/Davis notes. However, it's also brought up by Wilson in the WD notes. He says Oke Shannon called Miller and confirmed that such an organization exists)

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Richard Dolan (RD): Tom DeLonge, thickly stated on Coast to Coast AM, this was a couple of years...a while ago actually when "Sekret Machines came out, he was told by his original advisors that gravity had been cracked, that anti-gravity vehicles had been built. He actually said that the TR-3B was real and was built by Lockheed Skunk Works. So let me ask you, whether then in AATIP, or now, in a private capacity, when you are searching for explanations of UAP or UFOs...do you have a position or have you ever come across any evidence for human built craft, using maybe field propulsion or some kind of anti gravity or any kind of exotic tech or anything along the lines of with Tom DeLonge was saying? And you, of course, you know Tom very well. So what are your thoughts about that?

LE: I'm gonna let Tom DeLonge answer for Tom DeLonge. I have no idea in what context Tom DeLonge was referring to. I can tell you that, yeah, the U.S. government and other governments spend a lot of money on advanced technology and some of it is what we consider exotic. But is it exotic as in beyond next-generation exotic? No. That's a completely different type of terminology for exotic. I am not aware of any type of U.S. government technology that is currently employing some sort of re-engineered, off-world technology. I'm not aware of that. I am aware of advanced technology, which I'm not going to discuss here. But I'm not aware, I think what you're alluding to, is there any type of, like you say TR-3B? Certainly not that I'm aware of, or anybody that I know of and I have pretty significant access. That doesn't mean we don't have advanced technology, because we do, we've got some really advanced technology. But really advanced technology isn't necessarily off-world technology. Two different...

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Richard Dolan (RD): Look, I'm asking you these questions and, you know...one of the reasons I asked earlier about security clearances and how it might affect you is, because the fact is, I mean, you have to forgive me for saying this, but when you're...some of these questions puts you in a difficult position. I understand that, I think that people watching understand that as well. And so, I just have to take all of that in consideration. And with that in mind, I'm going to ask another direct question that you probably won't be able to deal with but I'm just gonna do it anyway because I feel like I have to. And that concerns the Wilson/Davis notes. And actually, I'm not going to expect you to confirm it,



because I can probably already tell what your position might be. However, I'm just going to point out a few things. Not one person close to that document, maybe other than Wilson himself, has denied it. So Hal Puthoff hasn't actually never really denied it. Eric Davis really never denied it. They both gave very circumspect statements, which did not deny the document. And in fact, Davis was even more forthcoming and assertive about its authenticity. In my opinion, he came just shy of saying, "Yeah, I wrote it." But making it clear, I think that he absolutely...(laughs) I know that he did. And I've said many times that someone very very, very, very close to all of this personally showed me the notes in 2006. Everyone knows he's knows it's true. You know the players involved. What are you able to say about this document?

LE: Let me say this: Eric Davis and Hal Puthoff are national treasures. Let me be crystal clear with this: Eric Davis and Hal Puthoff are some of the finest human beings I've ever had the privilege and honor to serve with. These individuals are national treasures for our country. I trust them implicitly. I have never, ever in my entire career ever known either one of them to state something that was false, or contradictory. I will not comment on the alleged, Wilson documents. But what I will do is attest to the veracity and credibility of Dr. Hal Puthoff and Dr. Eric Davis. They are top-notch credible human beings.

RD: I agree, actually. So, look, I just had to ask, I really wasn't expecting anything. What you said was was fine and pretty much what I was...I would have been surprised if you'd been able to go beyond that. And I'm just gonna say for the benefit of everyone here, you don't have to say a word on this and then we'll go to the next question. But I am quite, quite, quite persuaded and convinced, in fact and I would say I even think that I know, that all the people around that, including Dr. Puthoff and Dr. Davis and everyone else who's seen it, they feel that they are completely unable to talk about this publicly. And they've got their reasons. I don't know if I agree or don't, but I definitely understand that they feel their stakes are very high and they just can't, they just can't. And I get it. It's frustrating to me. I would like us to be able to move forward because I know that document is real. I've got a million reasons for knowing it's real. And until that document is confirmed, until someone who's able to make that statement can say, "Yes, it's absolutely real," we're going to have a lot of these trolls and skeptics out there just completely slowing the conversation down and preventing a real, you know, faster speed forward motion on investigating this, which I think needs to be done in terms of achieving some kind of genuine disclosure. Okay, that's my little editorial, I'm gonna stop and move on.

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Wilson/Davis, Belief. Plus...My Sources Say #3

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Richard Dolan (RD): Let me ask you a different question. I want to talk about the president, whether it's Trump or Biden. Let's talk about President Biden. Are there any efforts that you are aware of to convince President Joe Biden to use his powers as commander in chief to order the military, let's say, to seize evidence which may have been previously provided to private corporations, or just is locked away in secrecy? Maybe issue an executive order? First of all, is it possible for a president to even do that? And if it's possible, is there any conversation or possibility that this could be used as a tool?

LE: So, here is part of the problem. A president can order whatever the heck they want. It doesn't mean they're necessarily going to do it or listen, okay?

Presidents do a lot of things and it doesn't always happen. Let's look at President Obama when he ordered the closure of Gitmo. It didn't happen. In fact, he based his second presidential campaign around that he was going to do it. So, the president only has so much power. Now in theory, they should be able to but in reality, it's not so easy, especially when you're dealing with a big bureaucracy. And that, for me, is the problem. This is exactly, Richard, why I'm doing what I'm doing. You hit the nail on the head. Look, the senior executive officer for our country, who is legally elected to represent the American people, should be the final say so within the executive branch of what is done. And when that doesn't happen, it is a failure, it is a breakdown of the very democracy that we all have subscribed to, right? That is protected and codified in our Constitution, as a representative government. And so, therein lies the problem, that even if you have the authority to do something, doesn't necessarily mean it's going to get done.

I don't care if you're a Democrat, or you're Republican, or you're an independent, or anything in between, the bottom line is, whoever the people elect to be their representative...this is the same with Congress. This is why I get so frustrated when Congress (audio dropped out so I filled it in with something that made sense) isn't responsive to the will of the people. I don't give a damn if you're liberal or conservative. You have been elected by your people to do a job and if the government is not being responsive to the will of the people, then it no longer is representative of the people. Now you're in a situation where you have a government that is, by definition, illegitimate, because it's not serving in the best interests of their people. It's serving in the best interests of itself and we forget that the purpose of government is to serve the people, not the other way around. This is where my frustration...this is why I get up every morning and do what I do. It doesn't matter if it's UFOs, or terrorism or anything else, the bottom line is the government is enjoined to do what the people say and when it doesn't, we've got a much bigger problem on our hands. That to me is the greatest threat of all: Government is no longer responsible to the responsive to the will of the people. And so that is why you see me railing the way I do, because there's no reason why we can't be truthful about this topic. There's no reason why we have to whitewash the data and have to pretend like there's nothing to see here, folks. There is absolutely something to see here, folks, and we need to figure it out, collectively.

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Danny Sheehan, Marco Rubio and Dr. Eric Davis

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RD: This is a perfect lead-in to what I've been wanting to get into, which is you Danny Sheehan and the Inspector General's (IG) office. So, Danny Sheehan is now your attorney, he's representing you. I'm friends with Danny myself, I have a lot of respect for Dan Sheehan and I'd like to know if you can give some backstory to all of this. This is connected to the Inspector General's of the Pentagon's recent statement that they're looking into the process behind the current UAP Task Force, right? And I know, it has become known that this is connected to you and it also connected to Danny Sheehan being your attorney. Can you shed some light on this? Can you just talk about this entire process? Why are you connected to this and why did you need to take Danny as your attorney?

LE: Sure. Well, first of all, Daniel Sheehan for those who...I mean, he doesn't need any introduction, he's a legend. But in case if people in your audience who don't know his his academic vitae and his background. He is probably one of the greatest constitutional attorneys this century and probably last century. He has

participated in some of America's greatest landmark cases to include Watergate, the Pentagon Papers, Silkwood, Oliver North. You know, there's a reason why they call him the people's advocate. It is because he's really, really good at what he does. And so, when you are taking the topic of the century, and you are going up against the government, toe to toe, I want an attorney of the century to represent me because this is not going to be an easy battle. Now, does Danny subscribe to everything I think and do I subscribe to everything Danny thinks? Absolutely not. Danny is entitled to think whatever the heck he wants to think. It is his right, it his privilege, he can have his own opinions, he can have his own thoughts, just like I can. And it's important that people should recognize that Danny and I don't see necessarily eye to eye on everything but what we do see eye to eye on is the necessity for the government to be transparent on this topic. And so, we are very much aligned in that way. We are locked up to hit from that perspective. I don't give a darn who he's represented in the past on this topic, just like he doesn't care about me, and who I worked for, on this topic before. We both want the same thing and I think the American people want the same thing.

RD: Can you connect this to the UAP Task Force and the Inspector General's office?

LE: Yeah, so that's what I'm getting to now. So, I'm sorry, I don't mean to ramble, but it's important. You're asking me questions and I don't want to just give a quick sound bite because I think it gets lost in translation when I do that. So I'm going a little bit more in detail here but I was going to get to that next. So what is the IG? First of all, it's an evaluation, it's not an investigation, first. The Inspector General of the Department of Defense is doing an evaluation on the last three years of how the Pentagon has dealt with the UAP topic. So you can fill in the blanks what that means. There's probably some people that are getting pretty annoyed with the Pentagon's flip flopping and lack of communication on this topic, especially as it relates to now dealing with Congress. So I applaud the DoD for doing it. It is a prudent measure to do. Now, the question is, is there another IG request for some sort of inquiry or investigation? What I can tell you is simply this: I have been told by the Department of Defense that I should not discuss or elaborate specific questions that were asked of me as part of any DoD investigation. So, with that said, it should be pretty clear what role, if any, Mr. Sheehan and/or myself, have had recently with DoD IG.

RD: Alright, so don't answer but I'm just gonna offer my provisional assessment that you...I don't know...were there concerns perhaps about the upcoming UAP Task Force and as a result of issuing a request for an investigation, you might have needed legal protection? I'm just gonna put that thought out there. You can say yes or no or you don't have to comment.

LE: Look, it's not just me that needs legal protection, it's this topic, okay? We're talking about truthfulness and transparency of the U.S. government. We're talking about a decade, if not decades, worth of obfuscation and cover-up. This is a problem. And by the way, anybody who has reported this in the past, was punished, was penalized because of this. So yeah, this is a problem. Someone needs to do something. Someone needs to represent those who lost almost everything, doing the right thing. I don't appreciate people being punished for doing the right thing. I'm not that guy. You know, I've been through two wars, to protect people. I'll be damned if I'm gonna let someone in our government suppress and hurt good Americans and patriots and keep them from talking about a topic that isn't within their purview to keep secret, anyways.

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The only person I'm aware of who was hurt and punished is Elizondo's predecessor, JL, who I wrote about here. I'd like to know who else had their career ruined and hopefully, one day, the people who did that will pay the price. Elizondo wrote about it on his Medium page.

In fact, my AATIP predecessor's career was ruined because of misplaced fear by an elite few. Rather than accept the data as provided by a top-rank rocket scientist, they decided the data was a threat to their belief system and instead, destroyed his career because of it.

Although in private each confided to me they knew the phenomena was real, it still contradicted their view of the world and their beliefs. Therefore, they viewed the effort as an affront to their religious narrative and belief system. To be clear, these were some of the most incredibly competent and loyal patriots I have ever had the privilege to work with, and their motivations were sincere. Several were dear friends despite my disagreement that UAP were demonic in nature.

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Richard Dolan: I want to ask something...this is actually quite relevant for a lot of these topics we've been discussing. So is it fair to say that there are factions or groups within the Pentagon or in the intelligence community that do not support what you're doing and that are actively opposing any kind of information on UFOs coming out? Is that fair to say? Are you dealing with opposition like that?

LE: Oh yeah! Every single day, my life has... Richard, one day, we could probably sit down and have a hell of a conversation about everything that's been done to me, trying to muzzle me. And as I've said before, the one thing people should learn by now? The more you try to muzzle me, the louder I'm gonna bark. I don't take kindly to bullies. There's a reason why I was a bouncer getting my way through college and tried to pay the bills. I really don't like bullies and I really don't like bullies who hide behind the American flag and pretend they're doing the right thing and are being patriotic. That's not patriotic. That's exactly what I fought on the battlefield, people trying to oppress other people's free expression and thought. I won't tolerate that in war and I damn sure won't tolerate it within my government.

RD: Are you able to speculate or talk at all - I'm thinking the answer might be no, but I'm just gonna ask - the UAP Task Force that's being worked on? Is there anything at all that you are able to say about this process, currently? What people might realistically want to expect? What's going on here? Limitations that the Task Force might be dealing with? Is there anything that you're able to talk about or is there nothing that you're able to talk about?

LE: Yeah. Underfunded, under-resourced, lack of authority. You know, I'm getting the the impression now, talking to some friends along the Beltway, that this report is going to be rather benign. And it's a shame because I did a survey with Twitter. It got more than 1000 responses on what people wanted out of the UAP Task Force. And I'm going to tell you right now, I got it to the right people. And, you know, if not even one of those concerns are addressed, then we've got a problem. I remain concerned that we are going to do the politically correct thing, the bureaucratically correct thing, and not the patriotic thing, which is to deliver to Congress what they asked for and frankly, what they deserve. I am concerned because what I'm hearing is not matching up with what we said we were going to deliver.

RD: Oh, boy. Well, that'll be a nice, little, fun outcome when the report is released and it's a big, nothing burger, perhaps or compared with what people are expecting. I wonder what the repercussions of that will be? But you're you're implying that they may not be given access to the...

LE: Well, let me also say for the record: It's not the UAP Task Force's fault. We should not blame the people in the UAP Task Force, they are doing the best that they can. I know these individuals personally, they are good human beings, they are patriotic, they are trying their best to deliver what has been asked. But between us, and probably, I guess now everybody else: I think they're facing a lot of the same bureaucratic challenges that I faced three years ago, six years ago, seven years ago, when I was an AATIP. And this is what's killing me.

I can't believe we have come this far and yet those those bureaucratic hurdles are still there. Why haven't these people been fired?! What's going on? We know there's a problem now, we know these things are real and yet we're still allowing certain people in the Pentagon to stonewall the conversation! And this is, to me, this is unfathomable! And this is why you see me kind of animated because, as time goes on, I'm getting increasingly frustrated by the fact that there are pockets of resistance in there that haven't been routed out. They should have been smoked out three years ago. What the hell are they still doing there?! Get out!

RD: Well, by bureaucratic resistance, this sounds very much like what Harry Reid was talking about when he was quoted in the New Yorker. Tried to get to Lockheed, blocked. Can't get into it. So is it a matter of security clearances, like these guys in the Task Force, they can't get access to the areas within the Pentagon or elsewhere, that they need to?

(Pretty sure Elizondo was speaking about the folks who think this is demonic, ruined JL's career and do not want us studying UFOs or related phenomena)

LE: Look, there's a lot more going on here. There's definitely some shenanigans being played. I'm not gonna [put] the cart before the horse, I'm not gonna say anything right now but as this story unfolds, you guys are going to notice that there's some people playing some funny games. I know who they are, I'm not going to talk about them right now. That will hopefully at some point, be provided to the right authorities, and hopefully, they'll do the right thing and I've got to let the process at least try to work.

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My Sources Say #4: 180 Day Report, 2019 Pyramid/Sphere and Holloman

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RD: I want to jump to your time in AATIP a little bit and maybe just some knowledge of some of the more famous UFO incidents that we've talked about. So like, Tic Tac. Kevin Day. I really like Kevin [and] I've had an opportunity to talk to him on a number of occasions. I have a very high regard for him. Kevin Day claimed at one point that they were up to eight pairs of jet fighters performing intercepts on the Tic Tacs. Can you confirm or corroborate if that was the case and was there any additional evidence that might have been acquired? Was there more gun camera videos obtained that we don't know about? That type of thing, relating to the Tic Tac encounter.

LE: So the Nimitz incident now, we're going way back in time. Forgive me, we're almost pulling back 20 years. I don't know completely everything Kevin Day saw only because we were looking at the macro picture, we were looking at the battle space, per se, rather than the individual pieces on the chessboard. If he says that is the case, then I have no reason to believe otherwise, that's not the case. I find every single one of these individuals highly credible. All their information matches up, whether it's the pilots or the radar operators, or the E-2 Hawkeye folks or everybody else, I have no reason to question their credibility. I think you're absolutely right. Let's not forget here that Kevin Day also went to Top Gun, he went to Top Gun as a radar operator, and he has trained like the Top Gun pilots, but in this case, on radar systems, to identify everything from a baseball at 80,000 feet to an Su-22, or a MiG-25. They're that good. And so, if he's telling you something happened, then again, I've got no reason to believe otherwise, that isn't the case.

RD: So, do you know if there have been any high-res video, visual, thermal images...videos of the Tic Tac that have been obtained? Are you aware of anything else? I think it was Kevin...it was one of the guys on the Nimitz, I think, who talked about records being confiscated, data being taken by anonymous guys in black suits, and what have you, Have you come across any information that there's...I think I might have even heard you say this, that there's a lot more video evidence than what exists. And do we know if there's more of the Tic Tac specific incident that are out there?

LE: Let me say what I've said before. I gotta be very careful because I don't want to get myself in trouble with anybody. I would like to come back next year maybe to your forum and not do it behind a jail cell. I know for certain there is more video and photographic evidence of UAP encounters with U.S. defense systems. There are some that are much higher fidelity, and much more compelling, as far as photographic and video evidence. That's probably as far as I can go regarding that specific question.

RD: So, I believe that you have said in interviews - and this is going off of... I'm not exactly 100% sure, but I'm pretty sure that you might have said - that someone mysterious and unidentified from elsewhere in the DoD, beat you to the punch a couple of times, collecting records of radar or optic data, or electronic data, or even physical debris as evidence of UAP encounters, before you got there to investigate. Now, the fact is, if you did say that...that mo is identical to what Project Blue Book investigators, years and years ago, said many times. So who were these agents? Where do they get the authority to supersede yours, if this happened? I mean, your authority came directly from the Secretary of Defense, so how would that have been the case? And, I'm wondering, what might have been reported in the interactions with these beings when you...I'm trying to think how I want to ask this. Do you have any evidence that these operatives were in fact...what can you say about this?

LE: I will tell you that, in my experience, there were some elements that were interfering with our capabilities to collect and analyze data and information. This kind of goes to the whole, I guess, the speculation of some sort of secret government, society or Men in Black or whatnot. I haven't had any encounters. Now, I will say without going into much detail, I did have a very, at one point, a very close colleague of mine, that told me emphatically that that body exists but I haven't had any encounters and I suspect if it does exist...

RD: Wait, that there's a mysterious like, let's say, quasi, Men In Black type organization that is out there that is acquiring UFO data?

LE: You can call it whatever you want. Another organization that's doing some type of similar work and maybe on the black side of the house, black operations. I don't want to feed any more conspiracy theories because, frankly, I don't really know. But I did have a colleague share with me that they were convinced that there was an element within the government that did do that type of stuff and would intimidate people. I haven't had any personal experience. It's probably because either, one...I'm considered too reckless and they know that I would completely and probably, if they came into my front door, I'd shut the door behind him and try to interrogate them. Or, I'm too stupid. Maybe I'm too much of a loose cannon, possibly, maybe. I don't know why. If there is that secret organization, again, I've never come across them, they've never tried to intimidate me, personally. But again, that that could just be because maybe I'm not worth their time? If it does exist.

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Men In Black? WTH?

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RD: I want to ask you about the 2019 encounters off the coast of California, if you don't mind? So, is there anything about those...we're talking about Catalina Island and the islands right off of the southern coast of California, that we've learned about in July and August of 2019. So is there anything about them that makes you either believe or doubt that these objects were either Russian, American or Chinese? And I include Americans, like black budget, exotic, whatever. But Russian and Chinese or anything beyond...what is your assessment? And I just want to add one other thing, the second part of this. Some of these objects were hovering over the bridge and flight decks of the vessels, and was there an attempt made to capture or shoot any of these down? And anything else you can say about this?

LE: Umm. I have my own personal opinion. Uh...

RD: Can you share that?

LE: Let me say this, though, I will say this. If the Russians or Chinese suspect that we are looking at UFOs, they will probably take advantage of that and probably start sending drones over because they probably realize we may have a hard time identifying them. So, therein lies the problem because, as time goes on, I think we can anticipate, definitely, increased drone activity. Both from the hobbyist, like quadcopters, and whatnot and misidentifications, to potentially real, foreign intelligence collection using very sensitive ISR (Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance) platforms, very capable, ISR platforms. And so therein lies part of the problem. Once you show an enemy a vulnerability, and you announce that vulnerability, the enemy that you have will absolutely exploit it. So therein lies the problem, because, today you may see something that is truly anomalous and then tomorrow, because of that, you've made that announcement, that proclamation, now you do have a real drone problem, because they're going to insert themselves into that information gap, because you're really not quite sure what you're dealing with. And that's probably the biggest issue I have. Are all these things UAP? No. Are all these things drones? No (laughs). It's a mixed bag and that's why we have to be careful because we are going to, by necessity, see more and more. Look, the more we look at the sky, the more things we're going to see in the sky and the more we're going to misidentify those things. Just like the new Starlink, right? A lot of people are seeing these satellites...I just saw them last week up in Wyoming.

RD: Thanks, Elon Musk. Yeah, they're amazing.

LE: Yeah, 54 of these things in a line, and the very next thing, people at the shopping center were talking about seeing a line of UFOs and it was just Starlink.

RD: It causes many, many mistaken UFO reports. But back to the the so-called drone encounters. I mean, does it seem realistic to you, that the Russians or Chinese would actually be able to have drones that could come right up to these Navy destroyers, which are equipped with incredible, electronic detection systems, and just like...appear. Because as far as we've been able to learn, that seems to be the case. Like, whatever these things were, just...boom, came right there.

Elizondo's Face as Dolan Asked About Drones Being a Realistic Answer

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LE: I'm not going to address foreign capabilities. What I'm going to do instead, is have a conversation on common sense, okay? Here's a drone, here's our pen, Sorry but that's what I got. Here's our drone. Kinds of drones. You have drones

that can fly really far, and they can fly fast, using wings. Those drones that fly really far and really fast don't have a real loiter capability, they don't usually hover. They can hover, but you're either really good at flying far or you're really good at hovering. Those that hover, don't have as long as what we call loiter capability as those that fly on a fixed wing, right? And so, therein lies the problem. Either you can hover for a short period of time or you can fly for a long period of time. But, in order to get to a bunch of Navy ships that are 100 miles off the coast, you either have to fly there or you have to launch from somewhere close by. And these things, unless they are GPS controlled and would be able to follow a ship, I'm not gonna say it's not impossible (He meant "not possible"), but you have to have someone operating, you have to have someone flying, you have to have an infrastructure. So for every drone you see flying, you have to have an operator, you have to have batteries, you have to be on a certain frequency, there's a lot of things. You have to have a base for it to land and a base for it to take off. In the open ocean, you're limited. You can't just pop out of the water, you have to expect that you're gonna have to launch from another boat, right?

And so, it's interesting when people say, "Oh, they're some drones over the aircraft." That may be a prosaic explanation, but when you really look at it, you look at what is required to have something that can hover over the flight of a boat for hours at a time, and not a single one of these have been shot down, not a single one of these have ever been recovered from the ocean, not a single one of them has had a mechanical issue, not a single one has been able to be intercepted.

RD: It seems insane.

LE: And by the way, we have helicopters on these ships and not a single one has been caught by one of our helicopters or aircraft. You know, okaaaay. But you really got to do a lot of mental gymnastics then, to prove to me that that is some sort of drone technology. I'm not saying it's impossible. What I'm simply saying is you've got to build a case then to prove that. Because at this point, that's a greater feat than saying it's a UAP. Really. Because at that point, it's, "Okay, well, we're really talking about something then that, if a foreign adversary has, is really incredible."

RD: There was just a very long article in The Drive, The Warzone, about a month ago - I think it was a 10,000-word piece, very long - that made a spirited defense of the Chinese drone, Russian drone hypothesis, as opposed to UFO.

LE: Well, he's right, though. Tyler Rogoway is absolutely right. There are technologies that are advancing on a daily basis by our foreign adversaries that could very well, very soon, if not today, be confused as a UAP. He's right. They are...

RD: And he suggested the drones could have been launched from a nearby vessel, under disguise. I'm not sure if he brought up the submarine hypothesis. I mean, he had his own way of trying to say, "Well, these could have been launched relatively close by." I wasn't sure how realistic that seemed to me and it doesn't seem like you think it's realistic, either from what you were saying.

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My Sources Say #5 -Shoot 'Em Down?

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(Lue's Internet connection dropped out so Dolan spoke for a while as they figured it out)

RD: I'm glad that we had him on here and he's been able to say as much as he can. This whole idea of the alien threat, maybe I'll have him wrap this up one more time. Because this, to me, is the biggest, number one criticism that I constantly hear levied against him. And, as someone...I nearly wrote a very detailed history of false-flag events. In fact, I did a tremendous amount of historical research on false flags. And I'm just not seeing this as a false flag and I think that the analysts who say that it is, haven't really provided any evidence that I consider to be noteworthy or credible. All I get is predictions that this is going to happen, there's going to be an alien invasion and it's going to be a false flag. The only thing that I would say to support them is this: I don't believe that there's going to be an alien invasion scenario but if there is an alien invasion scenario, then yes, I would say that that's probably a false flag. So I will go that far and give that as my personal opinion. So I wouldn't rule it 100% out and I certainly would not rule out all kinds of spin and deception. I think that's the rule that we can expect in the event of...the more that this discussion is up for public conversation in the future about UFOs.

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Q & A...

RD: Alejandro says to you, Lue: First, thank you very much for your service, Luis. After everything you have read, seen and heard, do you believe the phenomenon is extraterrestrial?

LE: Alejandro, I believe that there is more and more compelling data that is leaning towards this phenomenon, either all or in part, being something that is... may not be from here. I have to be very careful not to be definitive but the data is beginning to look more and more like it's not from here. And that's not just because of what we're seeing now but to what Richard has said in the past, that there's historical data. And [it's] one thing is to replicate one or two of maybe five of the observables nowadays, but that simply wasn't possible thirty, forty years ago.

RD:. So you did not actually say extraterrestrial, which I thought was interesting. And it reminds me, Eric Davis, I'm sure more than once, strongly seem to indicate his opinion that we're dealing with a kind of high-level presentient, super advanced intelligence that I'm not sure he said was extraterrestrial, either. And I know John Alexander, who is also kind of involved in that circle of individuals, seems, by his statements, to think something similar. Is that fair to say that you lean in that direction that it's beyond ET? Or like, shall we say interdimensional? Are you going in that direction?

LE: No, I don't know yet. I think most of the people who've been involved in this for a while, I think, can rationally look at this and say, "Look, there's a very good indication that this is not our technology." The problem is from there, it really becomes the great unknown. And we really, truly don't have enough data, yet to suggest origins. I think there's just enough of an argument to say they are from some other planet as it is from some place right here on Earth that we are just now, either interacting with, or realizing that there's a whole nother reality being superimposed right on top of this one. I just simply don't think we have enough data, yet. At least I, in my own mind, don't have enough data, yet where I have a conclusion either way. I think we're pretty confident right now it's not from here, whatever it is. When I say here, I mean, built by us. But beyond that, I just don't know.

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My Sources Say #6 - Ultraterrestrials?

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Richard Dolan: I'm gonna ask a question on request from Greg. So Greg asks you Lue, your colleague Dr. Hal Puthoff, has stated that his interest in UFOs began during the SRI, CIA remote viewing program - this was back in the 70s - when psychics frequently described encounters with UFOs during remote viewing sessions. To your knowledge, has any correlation been found between anomalous, mental phenomena, aka psi phenomena and UFO experiences? Did AATIP or or AAWSAP investigate a potential connection between the two phenomena? That's quite interesting.

LE: Yeah. Well, I think it's clear that AAWSAP did. I can't speak cogently on AAWSAP because I was really more involved in AATIP. Let me share with you a little saying we used to have in the program: You don't find AATIP, AATIP finds you. And that seems to be pretty consistent. It seems kind of...I mean, we've all kind of chuckled when we first heard it but the longer we were involved with the portfolio, the more that serendipity really seemed to be rather prevalent. And almost bizarrely, so. Even the most staunchest of, I guess, skeptics, would come around and say, "You know, yeah, there's a lot of really weird things that are associated with this." You can call it a coincidence if you want. It could just be that, coincidence. But again, there's a reason why we used to say that, that you don't find AATIP, AATIP finds you. There seems to be a lot of individuals who've had interesting experiences in the past, that, for some reason, became part of the AATIP portfolio. I certainly don't want to talk about other people's experiences so I'll leave it at that. But as time continues, I think maybe some of that will be will be expressed, over time, by more people that come out of the shadows.

Question from Daniel: If you were to hypothesize what organization might be the most likely to finally let the cat out of the bag about having found crashed UFOs or recovered UFO parts, would you suggest the DoD the CIA or some other unidentified government agency?

LE: Daniel, that is a great, great question. I think, ultimately, the responsibility to reveal that information, to be made public, would fall upon the shoulders of the Office of the President of the United States. Ultimately, that is the individual that's responsible for the entire executive branch. It's pretty clear to us that there are pockets within the U.S. government that has bits and pieces of this information. The problem is I'm not sure any one particular agency or organization has a complete, comprehensive picture in totality of this topic, nor do I think they have the authority necessarily. You have CIA, which falls under Title 50 authorities, you have DoD, that falls under Title 10 authorities, then you have DHS, and all these organizations operate under different title authorities. And so, let's look at, for example, the defense contractor community like the big Lockheeds, the Boeings and the Northrops of the world. These are organizations that have huge defense contracts to work for the Department of Defense, but they also have other contracts with organizations like the CIA, and DHS. And so, I don't think it's up to any one particular agency to reveal that. I think what's happening right now is exactly the right way to do it. Where you have the DNI, the Director of National Intelligence, who will be providing ultimately a report. Of course, it's originating from DoD, but it'll go up to the DNI for her stamp of approval, and then it's going to go to Congress. And that's basically representative of the entire intelligence community, not one particular agency. And I think that's the way to do it. I don't think it's going to be one agency that's finally going to

step up and say, rather sheepishly, "Okay, guys, it was us." I don't think that's gonna happen. I think we're gonna have a more affirmative statement from a more senior level.

RD: I'd like to tack on to Daniel's question and just restate it a little bit. So, let's say...forget authorized to reveal any information. Let's say you're an investigator and you're you're rooting through the United States government bureaucracy, the entire government bureaucracy. So, there are a couple of things on this question that were not mentioned. I'm thinking Department of Energy, there's CIA, there's Space Force, there's the Army, there's the Navy. In other words, like if you're going to hunt around through that bureaucracy, where do you think you might be best served by focusing...

LE: I'd have probably about four to five agencies in mind. I would start with the United States Air Force for historical data. I would go to NORAD, I would go to the CIA, I'd go to Space Command, I'd go to Space Force, I would also then go to FAA, I would go to the DHS, from a more border perspective. And I would go to Navy, I'd probably go to NOAA, believe it or not. There's a Department of Energy. So I think we've got probably a handful, ten or twelve agencies that would probably have the lion's share of information if I were to be rooting around, as you say, trying to find information on this.

RD: You know what's amazing about that? That you mentioned, like ten or twelve agencies. In other words, there is UFO data scattered throughout those departments but each, presumably, is very deeply buried within high levels of classification, I would assume.

LE: Which have their own SAP constructs and their own security processes. And this is why 180 days is nowhere near long enough to provide a comprehensive report to Congress. It takes at least eight or nine months just to get the right read ons to even get access to the data. Forget about doing an assessment. And then once you do the assessment, you're looking at another year (the rest was cut off).

RD: So I want to read this question by Martin. What is the route to disclosure for the existence of alien technology, knowing that the incentives to keep it secret, financial and strategic, are so great to those in possession of the technology? And is there an incentive that could outweigh the benefits they currently have, that might encourage them to release the knowledge that they have, albeit slowly, and in a controlled way?

LE: I think we're supposed to be doing exactly what we're doing. We need to continue to apply excruciating pressure on the system, via our legislative branch, our executive branch, our media, our public outreach, and with our international friends and allies. So, first of all, we continue to turn up the heat. Two, we offer some sort of amnesty for those individuals who are part of legacy programs that now feel there may be some sort of culpability, or perhaps some sort of legal responsibility towards this. Because let's face it, there were probably some people's careers who suffered and a lot of people who should have known things, didn't and were kept in the dark. So, I think we need to offer some sort of amnesty, blanket amnesty for anybody who may have been involved in that, so that information can come forward. The problem is, I'm not sure that's really doable, because you can't stop any...look, anybody can sue anybody for anything. Whether they'll win or not, is a different story. But there there are companies that have gone bankrupt, many of them, because they've been sued for no reason. And they went bankrupt just trying to protect themselves in court. So, there's nothing stopping private citizens from suing other individuals and I think therein lies part of the problem. You can apply some sort of amnesty while serving as a government official, but you can't stop people from from suing each other. And so, the question is, how do we protect individuals who may have been involved in some of these efforts in the past from being persecuted like that? Whether you like it or not, I'm not going to go there. But I would start with some sort of amnesty.

RD: I think that's a that's a great idea and I hadn't thought about the personal lawsuit element of it, I have to honestly just say. I kept thinking, well, if you have institutional protection...

LE: Huge liability, huge liability.

RD: It sure could be, yeah. And even if the lawsuits may be deemed without merit, you still have a huge hassle. I mean, there could be people with deep pockets...

LE: Look, let me give you an example. You have, let's say, a pilot who reported this and all of a sudden, they lost their flight status, they got depressed, and all of a sudden they got kicked out of the military, lost their entire career because they reported a UAP. And now they're homeless, right? And so you had a stellar career and just because you did the right thing, now you're homeless and your entire life is in ruins, you have a failed marriage, your kids left you and you've had to declare bankruptcy, and you literally lost everything. How do you assess the value on that? And then you multiply that decades, right? And over how many people had to suffer? I mean, you're looking at something that is very, very significant, indeed. Now, there is liability there, so how do we fix that? How do we make everybody whole?

RD: Yeah, actually, I recall a conversation I had well over a decade ago with someone who had a lot of knowledge of this situation, and in fact, told me explicitly about the danger of lawsuits. In that context, he was talking about military contractors who might have felt locked out or unfair competition type things. But there's just so much potential for lawsuits if this were to come out, so it's very good point. I'll add one thing to what you've said to the question, even though it was really directed to you. I would just say I think that the process of obtaining some kind of UFO disclosure, however difficult it is, is maybe one of the last attempts we have to reclaim some sense of control over our government. I mean, you were talking about working the media, working the political system, and everyone knows it's pretty much broken. The media is broken, the media is controlled, so establishment oriented, and it's in bed with so many high-level powers to begin with. No one trusts it, they don't trust political system and for good reason. So what is the answer to that? Is the answer just, throw it out, have a revolution, start over? Well, I fear that, I think that's a bad idea. And so what are we left with? Some way that we can attempt a process of reclaiming some level of sovereignty over these institutions. Congress remains a great idea, it's just become so utterly corrupt. And same with the media.

So, I think, an opening in terms of genuine truth that gets a public conversation started on this subject, could at least conceivably provide fresh life into some institutions. As long as we're really willing to do some kind of housecleaning and changing some laws. It could be the last best chance we have for reclaiming some sense of true, democratic rule to republican rule and true sovereignty of citizens. I'm just going to leave it at that.

Question from Nicolas: How much of the recent trend, conflating extraterrestrials, UAP and even include SETI - so bringing those together - with the paranormal, spiritual, is a psyop to discredit the former - that is UFOs, ETs - in contrast to an organic, valid, intellectual evolution. I'm actually not sure I understand this question now that I'm reading it.

LE: Well, let me see if I can if I can add something to that. I may not be answering it but let me take a stab at this. Look, whenever you're dealing with something that is unknown, and this is true in the intelligence field, as well, or anything else...we tend to put into that vacuum [and] fill-that-void, with what we think. And that's just human nature, we do that all the time. And one thing you're seeing right now is the overlapping of the UAP issue or topic with the paranormal and then that of consciousness. And let me, if I can, just dissect that for a moment because I think it is a good question. I wrote an article a couple years ago about the definition of paranormal. And to many people the UAP

topic falls into the category of paranormal. Well, what is paranormal? Well, paranormal just simply means outside the normal envelope or understanding of what normal is. And so therefore, in the world of science, which is a world I come from, originally, by me education, everything by definition in science is paranormal until it becomes normal, until it becomes standard, until it becomes routine. The notion that the Earth was not the center of our solar system was paranormal until Galileo presented it. And unfortunately, he suffered for it.

But everything, the cell phone, the computer that I'm using right now to have this communication across the world with you folks, forty years ago would be considered pretty darn paranormal and yet now we consider it routine. So, let me answer with that. And then furthermore, as far as human consciousness, people say, "Well, these things are controlled by consciousness." Well, maybe they are and maybe they're not. But isn't everything, technically, by definition, a matter of consciousness? I'm a human being, you're a human being, we're having this conversation but there is a mental process that is occurring between us having this conversation that involves human consciousness. Everything, the way I look at this pen and recognize this as being a pen versus a piece of paper or anything else, is not because my eyes are seeing it or because my hands are feeling it. It's because the conscious brain is processing that data and creating an image. And not only an image, but is creating a thought and not only a thought, but it's creating a conversation. And that conversation is two ways. And that entire effort going on, that mental effort is part of human consciousness. The fact that I'm awake and I think therefore I am. So, if there is a UFO in the sky, I don't think it's a far leap to say that, "Yeah, it's controlled by consciousness." Because when I'm in my car, my automobile and I'm driving to the gas station, I am literally driving my vehicle using human consciousness, I have a deliberate purpose to drive my car on a highway while maintaining the speed limit, while maintaining safe distance to get to the gas station to fill my car up. That is, by definition, a conscious process that is occurring. And we all do it every day. So, I'm not sure it's a far leap to superimpose that, when they see something flying in the sky and it's they say it's controlled by consciousness, that really may not be far off from the truth. So again, I don't know if I answered your question, but it was an honor trying anyways.

Question from Cynthia: Will UFO/UAP craft technology be available to me, as a consumer/adopter, in the next 10 years?

LE: I sure hope so. This is one of the reasons why I remain optimistic because the last time we were faced with something like this was the great space race. We had this adversary in the great Cold War, which actually was pretty hot, to be honest with you. And we had this great competition with the then Soviet Union and they launched this artificial satellite called Sputnik and it launched the great space race and ultimately resulted on us landing on the moon, just some 10 years later. But why is that important? Well, beyond the accomplishment of just landing on the moon, there were over 6,200 leaps of industry practices and innovations, that wound up improving mankind as a whole. For example, the LED light bulb, for example, the CAT scan, for example, Velcro, for example, Tang, believe it or not. My kids would argue that's probably the greatest invention. There's a whole laundry list of technical innovations that have actually originated as part of this competition, and resulted in helping mankind, helping humanity. And I see very much the same promise here. If we can all finally realize to just get along for a little bit, and stop fighting each other. And I don't mean that just as nations, I mean that even as UFO groups, and ufology and stop trying to tell people what to think. If we could really apply some really good academic rigor and scientific expertise on this topic, I have no reason to believe that we can't...we might be on the precipice of a new Renaissance and how wonderful that would be if that was the case?

RD: Oh my goodness. The sciences involved in UFO tech, UAP tech is just off the charts and I would say totally revolutionary. I will talk about this in my next lecture tonight so it's something I'm personally interested in as well. So, thank you for answering that.

Question by Michael: Lue, when you spoke at the 2018 MUFON conference, you mentioned, "theological differences of opinion" between yourself as head of AATIP and other high-level decision makers, that limited what you could accomplish. Could you elaborate on what these theological differences are or were and how they influence American or military policy on UFOs?

LE: I'm not qualified to speak on other people's behalf so I'm just gonna speak on my behalf and offer a rare opinion, which I don't usually do. A lot of people, when they heard that comment, they automatically assumed that I wasn't a spiritual person, I wasn't a religious person. And actually, I'm deeply religious. I don't wear my religion on my sleeve. It's a personal thing for me. But I'm deeply religious. But I try not to allow my own, personal theologies to interfere with the pursuit of the truth and I think that's important. And the individuals who I had conflict with, they had an issue. Their theological belief system prevented them and tried to prevent us from looking into this topic. And at the end of the day, I can't say that they're right, I can't say that they're wrong. I just disagree. The way I tend to look at life is, it's okay to ask the questions. And in fact, you may be surprised that most of the time, the answers actually will reinforce your theological or philosophical belief system. All it does is just open up your mind and remove some of those biases and those obstacles that we've had to begin with, to begin to realize the grandeur nature of the Universe, and how epically wonderful it really is. And every time we superimpose our own beliefs and fears onto something, we stunt human evolution, we stunt our growth as a society and I think that's very dangerous. Yeah,

RD: I just want to add onto this and ask you...because when I first read the question, I thought you might have been speaking metaphorically, like there were philosophical differences. But it occurs to me that this could be theological. And I just want to ask you, are you referring to the fact...I mean, within the U.S. military, there are many individuals who, of course, were very conservative and many conservative Christians happened to be in the United States military. A number of years ago, Nick Redfern wrote a book about the so-called Collins Elite, which is essentially what he identified was a group of religious Christian, perhaps evangelical Christians within the military that see UFOs as demonic. Now, is that what you're kind of referring to, indirectly?

LE: That's precisely what I'm referring to. Look, radicalism is radicalism. It doesn't matter if it's Islam or Christianity, or Judaism or anything else.

RD: So there's a certain percentage of people within the military and intel community who do believe in UFOs but they think that they're demonic entities. That's essentially...

LE: Yes, but before we go and persecute them, let me ask each and every one of you to look in the mirror because within ufology itself, we have that same level of bias and persecution occurring right now but it's not necessarily religious. It's almost a cultist. There are people out there that are pushing a narrative that don't want you to ask the hard questions because it's a threat to their narrative, and what they believe and what they have been pushing on other people. So before we go throwing stones and say, "Oh, look, the government, they're bad," let's make sure first we look in the mirror and point at ourselves and say, "Hey, am I guilty of doing the same thing?" because the UFO community is just as guilty as a government for having these radical ideas? I just want to make sure we're fair, that's all.

RD: I just want you to know, I am personally not condemning those individuals for that belief system but I just think it's helpful and important to know that it exists and that this is an actual issue, apparently, within UFO analysis, even within the world of the government, it sounds like. This is a rift.

LE: It is. It's a human condition, it's not a government condition, it's a human condition, we're all subject to it. And I would recommend people, before we start throwing stones at people like that, I prefer to throw an arm around them

instead and try to have a good conversation with them before I do anything else.

RD: Well, the interesting thing, it seems to me, is how it might affect policy decisions, or even decisions about how to study or analyze this and make sense out of it. I wouldn't know how to resolve that, actually, if you've got a faction that says these are demonic and we need to...how do you fight something you think is demonic, first of all. And for that matter, there's a lot of this phenomenon that actually does seem very, very bizarre. I mean, you've got stories go back to Jack Parsons, and incanting a female deity in the deserts of Nevada back in 1947. And you've got all of the kinds of stories of portals. You got Eric Davis talking some really crazy stuff about what happened at the Skinwalker Ranch. There's Marley Woods, which is another place where there's some bizarre portal type activity. There's probably many others. I want to ask you this question. I just want to ask this because I've heard this rumor and I want to know what you have to say about this. Is there a reason or is there a faction within the military that is absolutely terrified, and I mean scared like, we don't know how to deal with this, in terms of this phenomenon appearing in a kind of, I don't know, almost like, we don't know how to control it? I mean, there's reason to think there may be portals and entities coming into dimensions. I mean, we've all heard about the Skinwalker Ranch. Is it true that there are elements of the military that are afraid in not knowing how to deal with us?

LE: Well, I can't speak on behalf of the military but I can speak on behalf of a person that we're all afraid of things we can't control or understand. That's why most people don't...only a few of us like to sleep in total darkness. I happen to be one of those weird people that I prefer to sleep, I like the shadows, I like the darkness but most people are very uncomfortable by it. And that's a human thing. We're genetically wired to be that way. That's why we fear the unknown. That's why a lot of people like to have a nightlight, why a lot of people get scared at night, but not in the day because your five senses, your sight is extremely limited. I don't necessarily think it's just a military thing. Yes, there are people in the military that are terrified but there are people in the military that are terrified by a lot of things.

RD: All right, fair enough, fair enough. I just thought maybe there's something going on here that we want to know about. So anyway, is Joseph available and able to unmute his microphone? Is Joseph here? If not, I'm just gonna keep asking everyone's question.

LE: I really hope I haven't scared everybody away.

RD: You've terrified them!

LE: Anybody out there, please ask me a question.

Question from Joseph: Your History Channel show, "Unidentified," was a great introduction for my friends and family. Any news on a season three? Would season three have more details on underwater incidents?

LE: So before just just answering yes or no. Look, Chris Mellon and I did the History Channel program...we knew is going to be a temporary thing. We weren't looking at it as an enduring capability. It was one of our five pillars of effort, which is public engagement, right? And frankly, probably the most important part of anything that we do is making sure that the public is aware and completely transparent on what we're doing and how we're trying to do it. "Unidentified" was a great experiment because none of us are actors. I'm not an actor, I'm not a TV personality, I'm not talent. Chris isn't. We're old government-type bureaucrats and operators. So it was a wonderful experiment. I think if the appetite is there, and there is utility in us presenting more information to the public, then yes, we will absolutely do it. And if that's something that people want us to do because they liked it, and it was an effective way of communicating data and facts, then we'll certainly open to open to do that. We've had lots of offers but we really haven't taken a pulse of of

people out there to see if this is something they'd like us to do.

Question from Michael: Thank you for your work on this immensely important issue, you obviously bring a great deal of expertise and experience to the table. My question relates to the possibility of leveraging the world's problems with climate change to compel disclosure from the government. As Richard and you have pointed out a number of times, UAPs do not use fossil fuels, and their energy and propulsion systems, once revealed, will spell the end of the antiquated and polluting energy systems upon which we've relied for the past 150 years or so. Despite the tremendous self interest on the part of fossil fuel producers in maintaining the status quo, given the desperate state of the world's climate and environment, is there now an opportunity to force or compel disclosure. Could an argument be made to the legislators that disclosure is not necessary now for the public interest but it is now absolutely necessary to save the planet?

LE: There's a little bit of speculation there. We are presuming that whatever these UAPs are using is clean technology. We know it's not fossil fuel. But we have to be careful not jumping to the conclusion that whatever it is they're using as a power source, isn't equally as destructive. And let me give you an extreme example here, which is probably not the case, but just to show you my logic. What if it turns out in order to generate that type of energy to do what it's doing, you needed all the water on the planet and destroy and mine out the hydrogen to do it, right? Probably not a very green technology if you have to destroy a planet's environment just to do that. Now, do I think that's the case? No, probably not. But I just want to make sure we're clear here that we are presuming or assuming, we are speculating that whatever's behind this technology is likely green technology because it's not fossil fuels. But we have to be careful being definitive about that because we you simply don't know yet enough about the technology to say conclusively that it is a green technology. I tend to personally, I tend to agree with you. I think it probably is but we we don't know that, yet, for sure. So if it turns out that we can we can demonstrate that it is a green technology, then yes, we absolutely could use that and use global climate change as a predicate for that. And that's something certainly that the United Nations, I'm sure, would take up and lead the charge on. But again, we're not, yet quite 100% sure. And so I just want to make sure, playing devil's advocate, I don't want to be a buzzkill. I'm not trying to poo poo your idea, I'm just simply saying, we need to approach this really open minded, we cannot let our bias get the best of us because it's really easy to run down that rabbit hole and say, "Let's do this, because it's gonna save the planet," when in reality, we're not entirely certain. Could very well be, but again, not sure.

RD: I want to follow up and just ask you, in your opinion. So there's a couple of different free or breakthrough energy solutions that people talk about a lot with UFOs. One is zero-point energy, which of course, Hal Puthoff, who you know well, has been looking into for many, many years. There's nuclear fusion, which is, you know, another holy grail of clean and abundant energy. And nuclear fusion is not the same as what we do now with vision. Even lately, I've been looking into the phenomenon of EVOs, which was explored by Kenneth Shoulders. I think that's quite interesting. My question for you is, do you have a front runner that you think either that these objects use in terms of energy, or that we, conversely, that we in our civilization, could be using either secretly - not sure that you believe that we're doing secret breakthroughs. I do - or at least that we might get in the future? So what's our best bet? Or what's the most likely solution, in your opinion.

LE: You don't have to agree or disagree, but you can look at some of the recent patents by Salvatore Pais at PAX river, Navy and see definitively that the U.S. government is interested in alternative energy solutions. That's a fact. Whether it turns out to be that or not, I mean, some people said anti gravity and the cashmir effect and all sorts of other things. I do think there are other forms of energy because we know it exists like dark energy, for example. That's a reality. You can't see it, we can't measure it but it's there. Just like dark matter. We just don't have a scientific means for really studying it right now.



RD: I'm not even sure if we really know what it is. I mean, I know it's been hypothesized because there's no other..

LE: Right. Exactly my point. And the (indecipherable) nature of the expansion of the universe and how it continues to expand and go faster and faster. Something's behind that. So there are all sorts of neat, little loopholes within the Universe, if you know where to look, to observe that there are alternate forms of energy. There are some hypotheses, some very good hypotheses that have been put forward that seem to be quite possible. I don't want to expand on those, yet but in AATIP we looked at this. The DIRDS was part of that effort that they were looking at during the early days of AAWSAP and then later on in AAATIP. So put simply, yes.

Question from Scott: Three or four books, or more, if you care to elaborate, on UFOs, that were recommended or passed around among you and your friends, co-workers/interested parties in the Pentagon? Was or is there a class...say, the history of UFOs, taught by someone from any agency to interested parties in the classified community who want to know? Where and how did you personally amass your background on UFO history, particularly pre-21st century?

LE: There were no necessarily real books on the history of UAPs that were recommended to me. In fact, I deliberately stayed away from a lot of that, and same with my staff, just so we could try to remain fair and objective when collecting the data.

RD: Too bad they didn't give you my books. That would have been nice.

LE: But the books that we did have access to were probably books that would bore most people. They were books on advanced propulsion, on optics, and light energy. So they weren't necessarily books about UFOs, they were books about theoretical physics. Something, you certainly wouldn't want to curl up with next to a warm fire one night and read. These are very, very technical books, very, very heavy in mathematics and scientific principles. But they allowed you to work out the mathematics needed, if you wanted to try to replicate some of this stuff. And notice I say mathematics, not necessarily science, okay? Mathematics. And so those were the books that primarily, I and a lot of our staff relied upon. I had a recent podcast where I actually took one off of my bookshelf and showed folks, this is the kind of stuff that we were reading.

As far as my background and my history in UAPs? Sad to say, I don't know a whole lot. I know a little bit, I guess. But I'm sure there's a lot of folks in this room right here that probably know a lot more about the history of UAP study than I do. Sad to say, I'm kind of new to this ufology thing. I know, people find it hard to believe, "You were part of AATIP, you ran AATIP." That doesn't mean I was into ufology. I was into national security and I studied UFOs, but I didn't know much beyond what we were observing and what we were collecting. I don't have the deep knowledge and expertise that you all have and that Richard has and other folks in the community. And I don't know if that's good or bad. You know, it probably makes me ignorant in many ways but it also might make me objective in other ways. It's not that I have anything against it. I just, quite frankly, it wasn't helpful at the time to our endeavors, because we were really focused on the military collection of data, not civilian eyewitness accounts. And I know that sounds hard for a lot of people to hear. And you say, "Well, why wouldn't you want that information?" It's not that we didn't want it. We just couldn't use it, because we're falling under DoD Title 10 authorities so our focus had to remain military, not civilian. I couldn't even put the name of the eyewitness, if they weren't a military eyewitness, I couldn't even put them into a database. That's illegal. That's a collection retention and dissemination of U.S. person's information that is very, very regulated. And if I put that into an intelligence database, I'm in violation of an intelligence oversight. So a lot of people don't know those little nuances, but that's what keeps you safe. So that type of data just wasn't helpful for us for that program.

RD: I'm just gonna point out something. I'm glad that this question was asked because it reminded me of something I've been wanting to say for the longest time, which is...I mean, I've noticed, as well, like there's a complete lack of historical UFO knowledge. I'm not saying from you, personally, I'm not accusing you. But I'm just saying in the general public conversation on UFOs, it is really truly as if, wow, the first UFO sighting was Fravor and the Tic Tac UFO in 2004. And I just want to say, there are extremely, well-documented United States military encounters with objects exactly, and I mean exactly described as a Tic Tac, going back to the 50s and 40s.

LE: Richard, I've got a book about that thick. You're absolutely right. And by the way, it's useful. It is now being used in a way that I think is very helpful to the cause.

RD: It should be. I mean, there's conversations going on, like Rogan, and I mean, I'm glad that people like him talk about UFOs. But the fact is, I mean, I've got a ton of cases from the 1940s over from like Los Alamos and from the Hanford nuclear facility, and Oakridge like, Atomic Energy Commission sites. Many of them in which it is extremely well documented by declassified military reports, that objects that nobody could explain were hanging out, loitering, doing things over these very sensitive installations, where no one was just supposed to be allowed to do that. In the case of Los Alamos in the late 40s, we know for a fact that there was serious, high-level military and scientific conferences, classified conferences being held over what the hell is happening over Los Alamos. And we happen to know this. And there's so much more going on with this. And the fact that we don't have video that's released. I mean, we know that there was gun camera footage taken, we just don't have access to it. But we've got the reports, we've got outstanding testimony. And I think it hampers our understanding of this, when you've got a lot of people saying, "Well, the Tic Tac might have been a black budget." Well, okay, so maybe, maybe no. But even if it were, how far back are we gonna go to say, "Yeah, we invented 10,000 mile per hour instant acceleration craft with no means of propulsion in the 1940s. Are we gonna say that?"

LE: It's utter nonsense, you're right, Richard and this is part of my frustration. This has been going on for decades.

RD: That's correct. And so, but my personal frustration, one of them, I suppose, is that one never hears...and again, I can't criticize you, you go on Tucker Carlson, you're there for five minutes and you got to get out. But there's just no opportunity, particularly within the mainstream corporate media, for this conversation to come out, the fact that this has been going on for generations. And so that just gives a different tone to the phenomenon in general. And I just feel like the history has been siphoned out of this phenomenon in the public conversation.

LE: We're gonna get there, Richard. So we have to remember that we're asking the American public and the world to grab ahold of a speeding train that's already doing 100 miles an hour. And that's a lot to ask of somebody. So what we need to do is kind of get them up to speed. And then, once they say, "Wow, this is incredible," then we say, "Well, you haven't heard the incredible part about it, yet. Watch this. Right? Boom!"

RD: UFOs are strong medicine. They are strong medicine, that's so true.

LE: Right. And so, I understand your frustration. I think that is part of our shift into second gear and into third gear, as I've often referred to. That is the socialization of the topic that it's real. And then once we acknowledge that it's real, then we can start going into the, "Look how long it's been real for," right? "And here's what we know, and what we don't know."

RD: Yeah, exactly, exactly. I agree fully with that. In fact, you may not have heard, but my previous lecture that I just gave earlier today, I mentioned a number of levels of disclosure, and actually sixteen levels of disclosure. And

that's really what we're talking about, step by step. As I identify it, we're at level three maybe going into level four, so we have a long way to go.

Question from Ron: At what point will your concern for humanity override your loyalty to non-disclosure agreements?

LE: It won't and it doesn't have to. The safety and concern for humanity is directly tied to my oath. I know it sounds like they are opposing each other but my oath to protect sensitive information is really not an oath to the government, it's an oath to you, it's an oath to the American people. And if I break that oath, even one time, then it's meaningless. It's like having a relationship with a spouse. Well, if I cheat on my spouse only one time, then it's okay. No, it's not. It's not. It's a compromise. It's an oath I've made to myself, it's an oath I made to you. I can never break that oath. And that's why we are doing what we're doing the way we're doing it because we can still have a conversation. It's a lot harder, by the way. I mean, believe me. I tell people, I used to be six foot four and long blonde hair before I started this job. I tell people, I'm only 27 for God's sake. But in reality, it's a lot of extra work to do it this way, but in the end, it's the right way. For me to break my oath...you can't break the law, to protect the law, in essence, is what I'm trying to say. And so for me, I take that oath very seriously, I will never violate that oath. Now what I will do is go right up to the line. And what I will do is work the system, so I don't have to violate that oath. And yes, there's a way to do it. It's not easy. And it takes a lot and there's no guarantees but it's been three years, and we've done it this way so far, and look where we are with the conversation. So, I don't think I have to break my oath, I don't think I need to. Look, if I broke that oath, guys, I'd have zero credibility. Because if I'm gonna break my oath for that, then I'll break my oath with everything else. I'll break my oath to tell the truth to you. So, you'd never be able to trust me again. Yeah, you might get an answer but you'd never trust me again. It's not worth it. I can't do that.

Question from Laura: I'm wondering if you have ever, or do you currently, have any contractual agreements with any aerospace industries or defense contractors such as the DOCPER?

LE: Uh, Laura. (laughs) Great, question (laughs). Yeah, I'm not prepared right now to discuss any affiliation that I might have with the U.S. government. Not because of me, it's out of respect for the government. I've often said, if you want to know if I have any affiliation with the government, ask the government. And yes, I know people have and yes, I know the government's come back and said, "There's nothing to see here, folks." So, okay, if that's their storyline, then that's their storyline. But don't be surprised if that storyline changes. I want to be very careful, I don't want to put the government and any kind of bad spot so I'll leave it at that. Great question. Obviously, you've done some homework but unfortunately, that's a question that I'm going to abstain from, at least at least for this conversation.

RD: Laura, that was a boss question, I'm just gonna say.

LE: Yeah, you had me squirming (laughs).

RD: It's well done.

Question from Raphaela: Please don't give up the fight, really. I've been waiting for a long time to have someone like you, Mr. Elizondo, to come into the scene. So my question is, as you stated, I'm trying to watch all the interviews that you're making on YouTube so I pretty much have all these questions. But this is one that is really important for me. So as you said, we are in the announcement phase of this phenomenon, which makes total sense. Would it make sense to start building an official curriculum for civilians, enabling us to be officially recognized as competent on this matter and be Ambassador on our territory and within society? Because I come from a small town and I know that having someone that is close to you will make it more comfortable to have this

question. Thank you very much.

LE: Bellissimo! Thank you. Thank you. Thank you. Yes, yes, yes! I have said before, we must, we must have academia with us. We must have scientific community with us. We are working very hard trying to professionalize the study of this topic. It is not easy, but we are slowly making progress. I personally am an industry partner with academia in the state of Florida, where I've given talks to institutions in aerospace, along with some of my colleagues. A wise man once said, "The greatest nation is but one generation away from utter ruin." And what they simply meant was, the greatest national security asset any country could ever have, isn't oil, it isn't gold, it isn't weapons, it isn't natural gas, it isn't timber, it is the youth. It is the next generation. Because, if you don't invest in that, everything else doesn't matter. And so, precisely for the reasons you said, we need need global attention, we need a global emphasis on our academic institutions.

We're beginning to see academics coming out such as Avi Loeb from Harvard. We have some academics finally poking their head, out of the hole and beginning to have the conversation. I would love to have a discussion with students in STEM: Science and Technology and Engineering and Mathematics, all coming together. I want to have grants from the National Science Foundation, where we put kids through school to study the hard sciences and maybe come back and do an internship on advanced propulsion. That is precisely what is needed for this to move forward. I would love to see organizations like Microsoft put in grants or Elon Musk and put in grants for people to begin to pursue these new frontiers in science, this new renaissance, if you will. A new awakening of academia and science into the great unknown. Wonderful, wonderful questions. Thank you so much for asking me. I am absolutely passionate about that. It is needed, perhaps, more than anything else. Thank you.

Question from Sean: I feel like in UFOlogy or this topic, it's quite natural for people to put the cart in front of the horse. What would be your best advice for continuing the momentum and not getting overwhelmed with all the back and forth on theories. "60 minutes," the excitement was tangible, especially for UFO Twitter. So what my fear is, if this report comes and it's kind of a nothing burger, as you kind of hinted at earlier, how do we keep the morale up?

LE: Well, we'll do it exactly the way we're doing it now. This report is just that, it's just a report. We need to continue to maintain pressure in any way that we can. And they'll be more reports, I can assure you, because I don't plan on going anywhere. Unless you plan on going somewhere. I think you guys keep doing exactly what you're doing. Look, #UFOTwitter, is becoming an amazing tour de force. What started off as this kind of ragtag coalition, has become an activist group. It has materialized into something more than its constituent parts, and people are listening and people in the media - and I know that for a fact because they told me - are looking to you for insights. And where should they go next? And what should they do to learn more about this? You're now helping change the landscape, you're teaching a hungry audience, and they're looking to us, they're you're looking to you on to take this information and how to behave. And you have a choice. We can go down the rabbit hole and begin to fight amongst ourselves and try to push our narratives and become petty. Or we can rise above that, like everybody in this room right now and have an intelligible conversation. And we can agree to disagree, but all agree that the topic is most important and this is a topic that's bigger than any one of us and this is a topic that shouldn't be hijacked by anybody. Unfortunately, by virtue of me being here having this conversation with you, there are people out there that are absolutely going apoplectic. They are rolling around, screaming, teeth gnashing and going to be claiming I'm a disinformation agent or yada, yada, yada, and all that other nonsense. I don't care. That's just white noise. To me, that's exactly the problem with ufology of what it was. This is different. This is a movement and a movement has just created for the first time in its history, a PAC - a political action committee. That was just reported today by Bryan Bender in Politico. This is what you are achieving. This isn't me. I'm on the team but I'm not doing this by myself. I can only do what I'm doing because you

are doing what you're doing. And yes, every little song that you make, it grabs people's attention, it opens their heart.

Sean: They're useless without beautiful material like yourself, sir.

LE: When I appreciate that, but unfortunately, I'm about as attractive as a cement truck.

Question from Gary. Can you offer any wisdom or insights to people who might struggle with the enormity of this subject on a spiritual or religious or mental health level?

Lue: Yeah, Gary, my suggestion to you is that this is nothing new. We have been here before, time and time again, as a species. If history has anything to teach us, this is part of human evolution. This is precisely what I'm supposed to do. It's no different than when man first stared at the depths of the ocean and contemplated sailing across the horizon and there were stories of sea monsters and kraken and everything...and lots of reasons why he or she shouldn't sail over the horizon, to include you'll fall off the Earth. And yet, here we are. We did it. Here we are thousands of years later and we realize that some of those stories, indeed, were true. That there are sea monsters, there's great white sharks and blue whales and giant squid of the Pacific. But we now realize they're just part of nature. And so I'm not sure if fear is necessary. I think every time we fear something, we learn something new.

Look, let me give an analogy I gave my daughter and I don't want to digress but this is important for me because you're asking me a philosophical question. I remember sitting with my daughter one day and we lived on the Chesapeake here in DC for a long time. And we were watching the blue crabs and she said, "Daddy, how do those blue crabs get so big?" And I said, "Well, sweetheart, they have to grow. And every so often, they have to break out of their shell and they have to molt. And that process has to happen." And she said, "Well, dad, is it painful?" I said, "Well, I'm sure if you ask the crab, that process is very painful. But that's part of growth. And sometimes you have to break open the shell, in order to grow. Otherwise, that thing that is protecting you winds up becoming your prison, and you can't grow. And so this process of molting is nature's way, in order so you can get bigger and stronger." And very much when you're approaching the UAP issue, I think it's the same way. Or any issue, any paradigm moment of mankind, where we are forced to break out, break open out of our shell that that's holding us in, and it's uncomfortable it is and it's scary sometimes and you feel vulnerable. But at the end of the day, it's necessary if you want to grow, if you want to expand your mind, you want to evolve as a species and evolve as a human being. Not sure if that makes sense but that's that's my philosophical position.

Question from Mike: Is it apparent to you that the phenomenon is specifically attempting to apply pressure through presence in order to get inside our decision cycle to force us to disclose to each other, while preserving human self agency?

LE: Wow, great question. Yes, it's possible that there is a provocation, an increased frequency being deliberately done to force us into some sort of decision making process. I don't know for sure but it certainly would seem that way if we look at this from an anthropomorphic perspective and the way that we think as human beings, certainly that could be an indicator.

Jay from Project Unity: The Society of Catholic Scientists is going to be holding its 2021 conference in Washington, DC, and it's going to be on the subject of non-human intelligence. And I just kind of wanted to get your general thoughts on what this might mean and also whether or not you feel this conference has been bolstered by the issues that have emerged since 2017.

LE: I'll make this very succinct. Congratulations, you're succeeding.

Lynda: On the new PAC that was announced today, the UFO PAC, can you tell us more about it?

LE: I don't know a whole lot about it, Lynda other than we have, right now, some significant media coverage on it. I don't have a whole lot of information. I know there's some top journalists that are covering it and apparently the PAC is the first of its kind and it's pretty serious in its attempt to further this cause. But unfortunately, I don't have any more information than that.

RD: I would love to know more about that. I mean, my old pal Steve Bassett was trying to do this kind of thing for years, but you need money, you need backing, you need institutional support.

Lynda: Lue, are you on the team?

LE: Ma'am, I am not on the team. Negative. I have not been asked (or added?) At least not, yet.

Question from Jerry: I'm an academic and I'm concerned that my students are really ignorant about this. College students. All of this is going on and they don't know anything about it. Now, I'm trying to teach them but I'm just astonished. I wonder if you ever get frustrated by the opposite of panic. My whole family's from Arizona, they've never...well, my family has but Arizona has never heard of the Phoenix Lights, most of them. I can't believe how much is out there and how apathetic people can be. Do you have any take on that?

LE: Every day I'm frustrated by the apathy but not just on this topic, on a lot of topics. On how we treat each other, homelessness, you name it, issue du jour. Yes, I'm always frustrated. I think we need to be patient while maintaining resolve. This is an awfully big pill for people to swallow all at once. You cannot digest an elephant all in one bite. So I guess my suggestion would be as an academic, continue to be persistent, but also be patient and understanding because this is a new paradigm for us and people need time to adjust and absorb.

RD: I'll pass. People have heard me talk about my dystopian view of the future for humanity so I'm just gonna let that one ride.

Question from Thomas: Can you speak on any knowledge you may have on the alleged, crash retrieval of any object that may pre-date Roswell? Recently, this was investigated by Jacques Vallee and he released a new book, entitled "Trinity: The Best Kept Secret." I'm just curious if you have anything you'd like to add, as far as incidents that may have occurred that predate Roswell?

LE: I mean, look, it's not just the U.S.. There's a very interesting memorandum that was written by Mussolini on an alleged crash in Italy in the 1930s. I won't go into a whole lot of detail, but we're looking into that quite a bit. Working with our Italian...

RD: Roberta Pinotti did a lot of research on that and honestly, very good.

LE: Absolutely! It absolutely does. Very, very compelling. I'm not surprised. How about that?

RD: By the way, I just downloaded Jacques Vallee...Paola Harris is his co-author, by the way. Paola is lovely. And this looks like a very interesting case to me. I think a couple of people were already trying to dismiss it and I just don't understand why. It looks like it's a decent case. It took place, supposedly, August 15, 1945, very close to the Trinity site where the first atomic bomb was detonated. The witnesses were, at the time, two young boys aged nine and seven. But, you know what? That's old enough to be a decent witness and they recounted this to, I think to Paola and there's a lot of detail there. And to me, it strikes me as at least 50% plausible, probably more.

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Question from Maury Island Fan: You mentioned that you don't find AATIP, AATIP finds you. So what happened to you that made AATIP find you.

LE: Wow! I think we need a few more hours for that and probably a couple of beers or a bottle of wine. You know, I don't talk about my personal experiences, not because I don't want to, it's because I don't want to prejudice the jury. At some point, I'll probably share.

RD: The rumor mill has it that you had some experiences while working with Robert Bigelow back in the day.

LE: Uh, you know, I umm, at some point I'll probably have that discussion but I think we're too early in the process of disclosure and I don't want my personal experience to be any type of distraction to what we're trying to accomplish.

Question from John: I saw a video on TTSA, where you picked up an artifact from Ohio from a private individual and drove it back. Why did you not compromise that person's identity? Why did you think that would have anything to do with a UAP?

LE: Because the individual had indicated to us and then provided us some analysis that was, at least superficially, interesting. And then when we looked at additional analysis, there was enough information there that corroborated portions of the individuals testimony. And, for me, I don't really give a hoot about the source of anything, as long as it's legitimate. And if it's worth flooring, I mean, sometimes you have to cast a wide net to catch a fish. You know, hopefully you catch more fish with a wider net, and then you throw back the ones you don't need. But that's why we did that.

Question: Should we find technology that could actually end the debate, would it help in getting people to take thing more seriously? Would you know where to look if you were given that authority?

LE: Well, I think we already have found that material to end the debate. The question is, will that material see the light of day? You know, of course, the proof is in the pudding. If you have something that you can demonstrably demonstrate is not from here and it comes from somewhere else, and it's been manipulated and designed in a purposeful manner, then done, that's it. That's the Holy Grail. And so, it's part of my intent to, if that material is indeed unique, to have it looked at by the right people and then have that conversation with the American people and everybody else.

Question: Would you know what door to knock on to find it?

LE: I do. I believe I do.

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